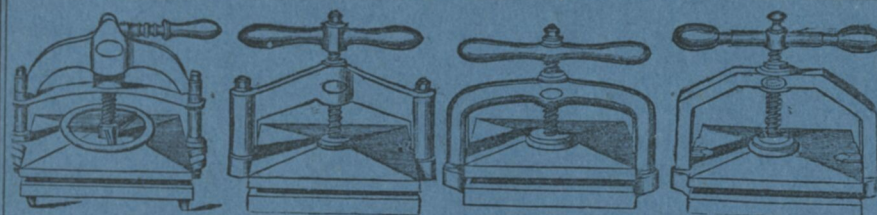


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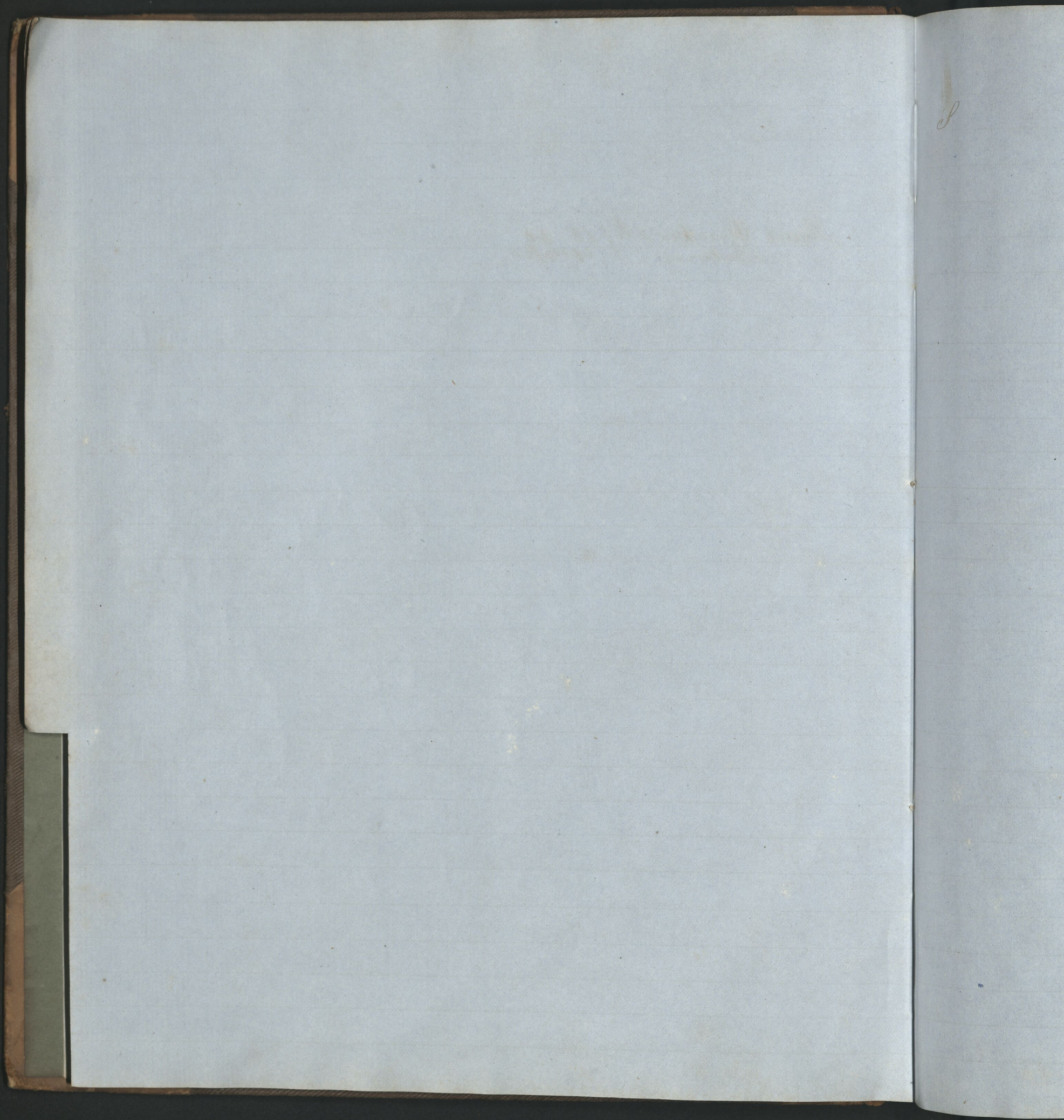
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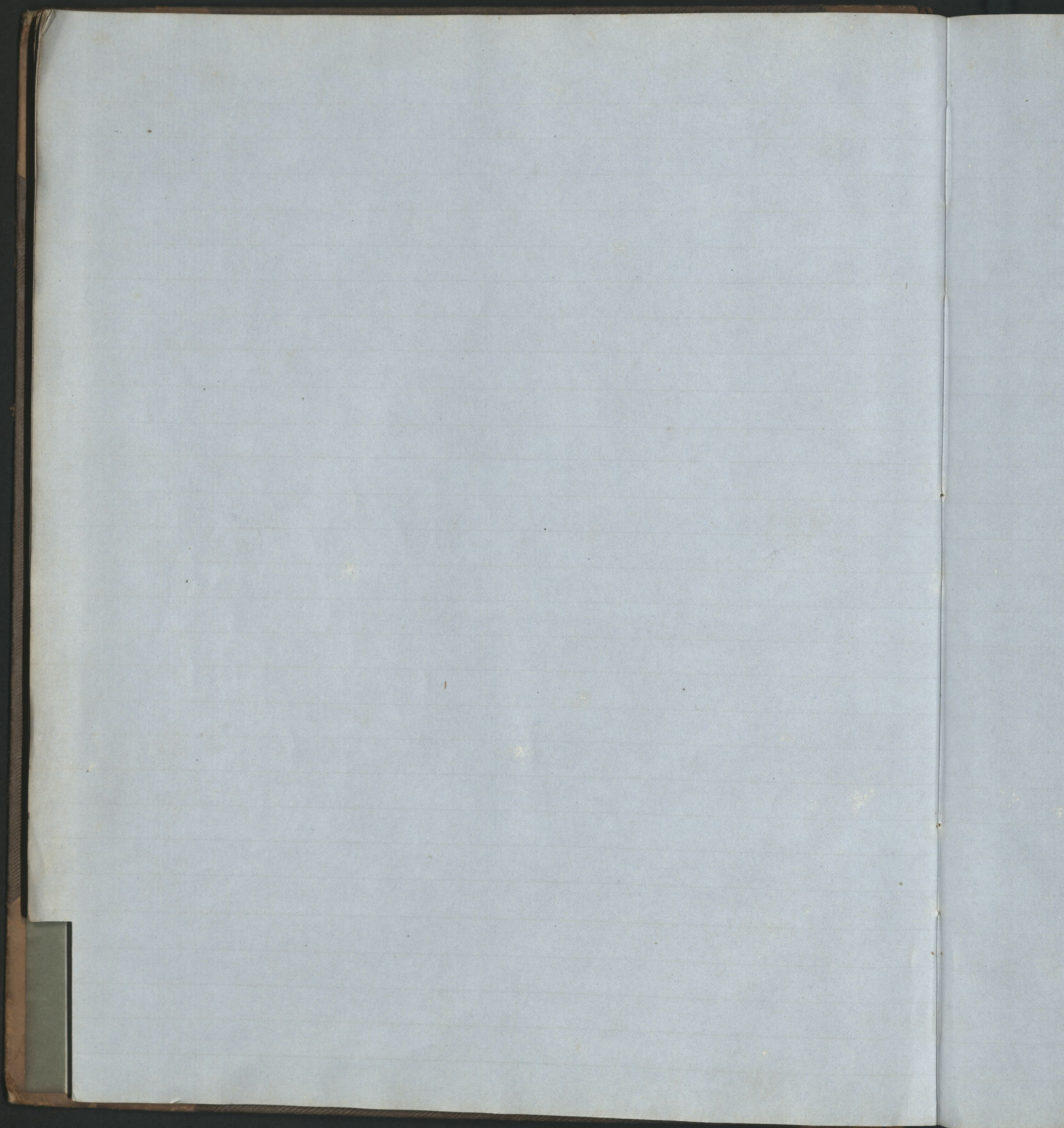
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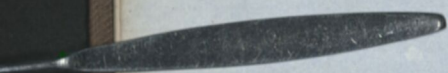
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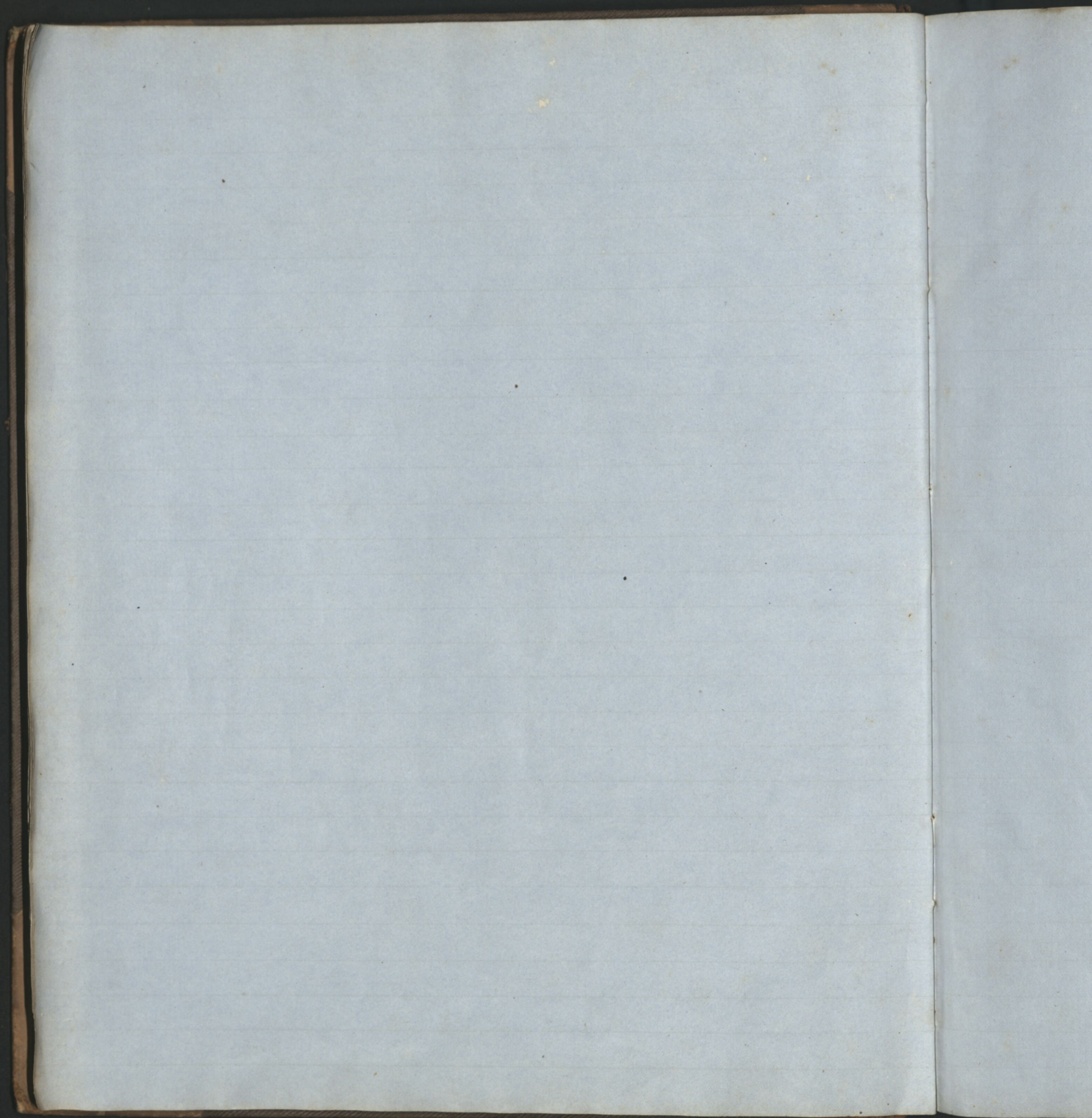


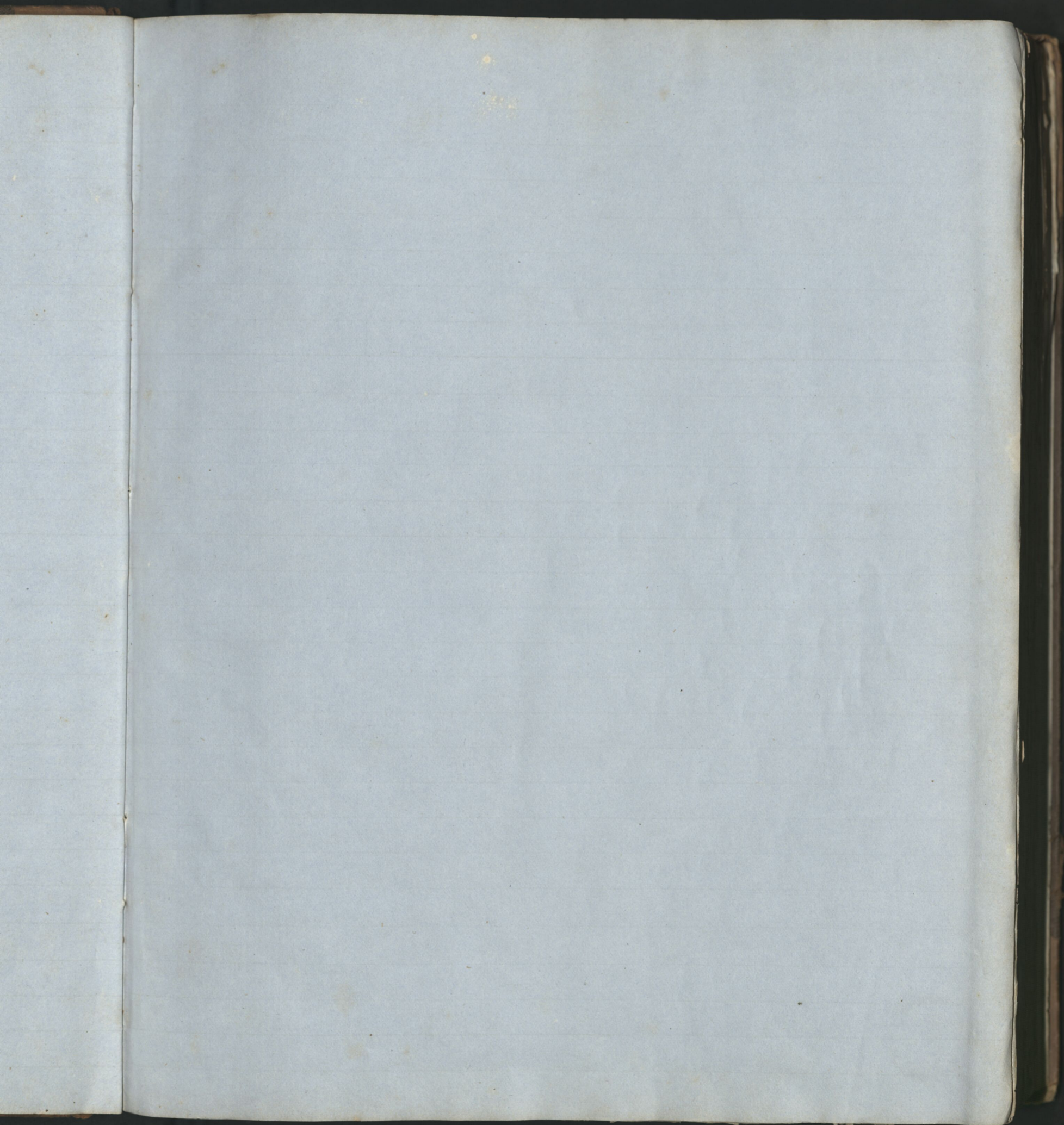
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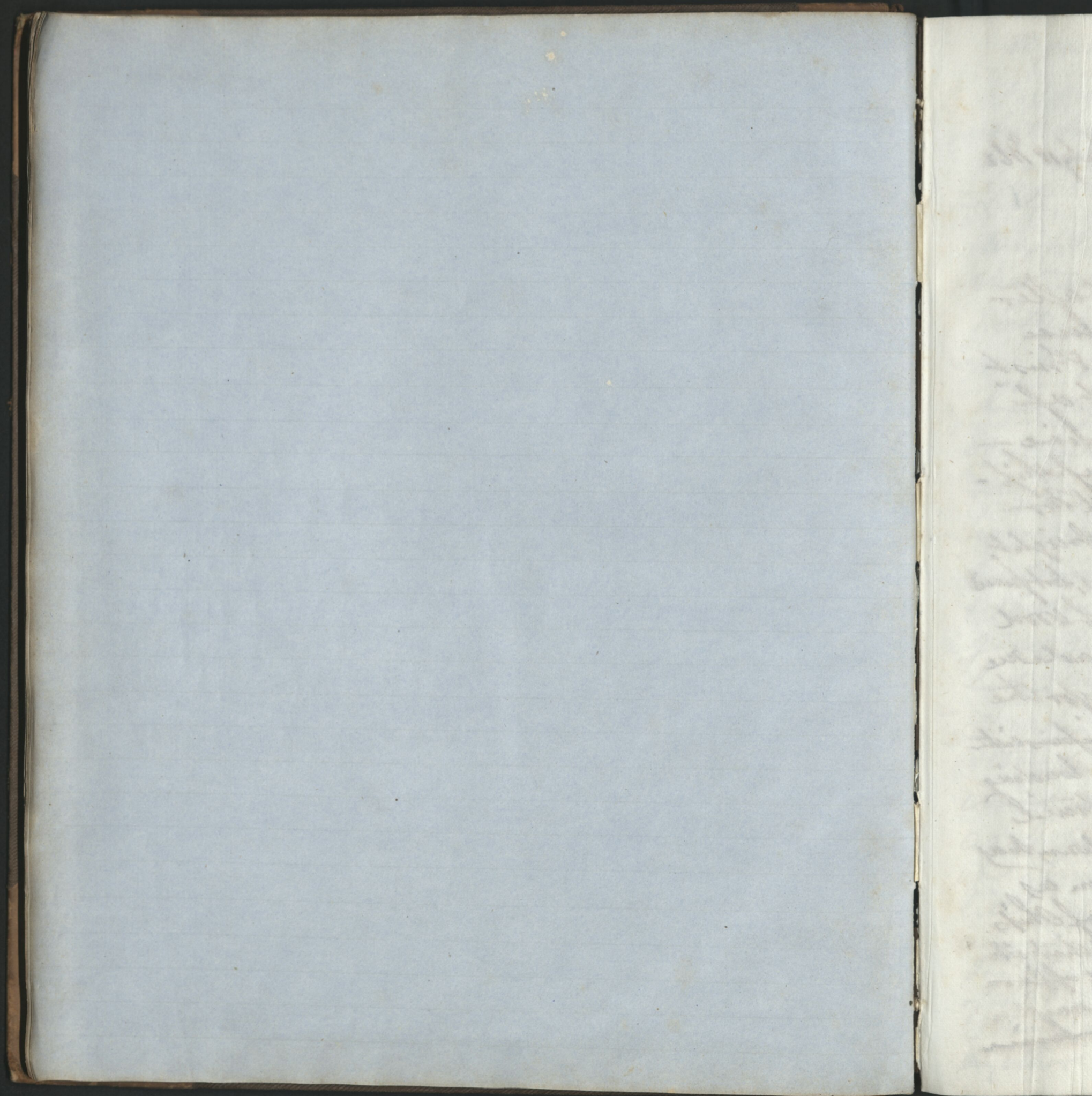


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My dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the late John Brown's estate.

I am at present unable to give you a more definite answer than that I have been consulting with the proper authorities in regard to the matter. I have no doubt that the estate of the late John Brown is a matter of great importance, and I am sure that the authorities will do all in their power to settle it as speedily as possible. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. B. [Signature]

Henry Hastings Esq
Boston

San Francisco July 18 1862

My Dear Sir

At last after
a tedious length of time I am able to advise
you of the safe arrival at this port the first
of the good ship "Midnight" & the receipt of
your several papers from May 9 to 31 inclusive -
also letter of Credit for \$1000 for use of ship -
Immediately upon arrival I advised Mr
Kille, as to the state of market for freight.
I also called upon the different brokers, but found
I could do nothing for a freight of wood
for London, at a small rate. Mr Soler made me
the offer of fifty five hundred doll. for the
ship to load for Boston free of all commissions
here or there. He to pay ad valorem for while loading
& discharging bill with forty days. At the time
of my arrival the telegraph was down, & was
to render it impossible for me to advise you as
you directed me to do. There being a number of ships
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 the wires might be reported in working order,
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 of a ship that was already to accept, at a lower
 rate; consequently under these circumstances I
 thought I must accept & have accordingly
 chartered. I shall use my best exertions to expedite
 matters & put the "Midnight" in Boston as early as
 may be possible with as little expense. In a few
 days after I signed the charter, the wires
 were in working order & Mr Kittle sent a short
 message to you for me - since which the wires
 have given out again. Mr Kittle tells me that
 he thinks I have done the right thing under
 existing circumstances. & I hope some will
 give you satisfaction - You ask me how I
 like my new rig & about the ship. Well Sir,
 I am highly delighted with the double top
 & think under ordinary circumstances they
 would make a great difference in a passage -
 as I have had the winds during almost the
 whole time since I sailed, there would be but
 little difference any way. But as I now feel
 never wish to make a voyage in a ship without the double
 The "Midnight" still remaining the best & has lost none
 of her good qualities & as I wrote you last voyage
 I should feel quite unwilling to exchange for
 another & the only inducement would be to get

another & the only instrument would be to get
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 character - I shall not say but I am willing to
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 rate; I am going to make a reasonable
 of a ship that is ready to accept of a passage
 but he would not give me any thing but
 the only thing he ought to be satisfied with

I have been thinking of you very much lately
 and wondering how you are getting on.
 I hope you are well and happy.
 I have been very busy lately
 but I have managed to find some time
 to write you a few lines.
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Yours truly,
G. B. Cook

a faster sailer. Most unfortunate that we were
 obliged to load so deeply. Could I have
 had as good a chance all the way, as I had when
 to the Equator, it would have made little or no
 difference - but my fore-railing masts have been
 light & ahead most of the time - During the
 first month the ship seemed tight, since then
 she has gradually increased, until now she is
 making a great deal of water. I notice that
 the pitch has greatly melted & run out of the seams
 and I am in great hopes to find that to be the
 cause. I intend as soon as she is light enough
 to go around & have the seams well & repair
 again. At present I am too deep to
 give you an opinion respecting the Copper
 but shall give it my attention as far as practicable.
 I have been quite unfortunate with my sails &
 have lost many of them. I had it a long time
 in the ship & had to go to work in my cabin
 while off the horn & made a couple of new ones -
 I have been obliged in consequence to use some
 of the old ones which was in the forenoon & felt glad to have
 it so handy - The balance of the truck & your other
 goods I will deliver, as you request -
 After I had got round the Cape
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at the time, the first plunge the men, after
they parted, broke the Boarding off - by getting
the men's aback & stopping all heading
made out to keep it from making water off.
I took one of the spare I had in stock & fixed
it as well as we could & brought it over on the
Ship - as a matter of course, I had to have
a little more of the same consequence. - I shall put
a new one in as soon as possible. I made out
to get all the Carboys here safely, & have
never perceived an smoke to arise from the
powder. We are now putting our cargo out
rapidly & thus far in good order - a little sweat
but nothing serious. I have paid off all
my crew except the youngsters. I thought I
had rather do so, than to feed them so long.
Mr Crannishield I like as much as ever -
although free to acknowledge, that he is not
as good a case taker, as I could wish. I must
nevertheless say, that he is the best Chief Officer
I have ever had. I also like Mr Langney much
who is a good Dealer - If there are
any questions unanswered in this, I will
try to think of them next time - Mr Kittle has
sent you for this Steamer, Eliam Thousand Dollars -
in gold, as you wished.

Trusting this will find you all well
I remain Respectfully yours
Geo W. Brock

I am very sorry to hear of your illness
 and hope you will soon be well.
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours, W. L. G.

San Francisco, July 16/62

Wm. Meader, Solor & Co

Gentlemen - I have the honor to inform you that the "Midnight" is now ready to receive cargo, in conformity with terms of charter - Commencing on Monday morning the 17th

Respectfully yours

W. H. Brock
Master

I have the honor to inform you that the "Midnight" is now ready to receive cargo, in conformity with terms of charter - Commencing on Monday morning the 17th

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San Francisco Cal. July 14th 1863
 Henry Hastings Esq.
 Boston

I advised on the
 10th inst. of the safe arrival of the "Midnight" & receipt of
 your several favors. on the 15th inst. I rec^d your
 Telegram, asking me what I could get for Boston,
 which I immediately answered. I had previously advised
 you per telegraph of having Charlerid, but presume
 you had not rec^d same. Had the line been in operation
 at the time of my arrival, I should not felt at
 liberty to accept of anything without first communicating
 with you. Knowing that you wanted the ship at home
 in anticipation of good freight next winter, & having
 the offer of sixty five thousand dollars net, I thought in
 consideration of the great saving in time & expense
 I had better accept of this thereby placing the ship in
 a good port for business, than to go off in ballast
 seeking. There are many ships now here, seeking business &
 I know of several that would be glad to load for Boston
 for much less than we are getting. My cargo is all out
 but not all delivered yet. It being steamer day, it
 is difficult to get them to cart their goods off, therefore
 we can not close our inward accounts to send you
 per this steamer. We are loading quite rapidly & have
 in between two & three hundred tons - will probably make
 good progress next week. I am sorry to have

to say, that our claims promise to be considerable. I only wish you could see the stowage in the bottom of the ship, with the exception of a thickness of board, which I had put under the pegs in London, there was not a particle of damage of any description. Kegs of nails, bundles of hoop-iron, pieces of steel-cords of wire, & other things of a kindred nature, were stowed promiscuously all over the bottom, without the least protection, to save the ship, in case of damage & the consequences are, as might be anticipated. There were some forty tons of coal, shipped in old bags, although the bags were certainly unfit to send, such a voyage, & should it have been received, in good order. Nevertheless, had they been taken good care of, there would probably been little or no trouble, instead of which, the bags were stowed on the bottom of the ship without damage. As a matter of course, they must all rot, The Owners of the Coal, refused to receive it, unless in bag, consequently we had to procure bags, & put the Coal in good order, making much trouble & expense for a small amount of freight. There was also a large casting, something belonging to a machine, & quite valuable, broken in New York & the pieces, carefully stowed underneath out of sight. I saw this taken out, & can vouch for the truth of this statement. During the whole of my twenty years experience, I never saw such a case of stowage, as has been developed in the bottom of this ship. & I shall

to say that our claims should be considered
I am sure you will see the necessity
of the ship, with the exception of a few
which I have put under the paper in case
not a particle of damage of any description
has been done, besides a few small articles
of value & other things of a minor nature
were stored in the hold, all over the bottom
the least protection, to save the ship in case of damage
the consequences are as might be anticipated
The crew were put on board, shipped in old
bags, although the bags were certainly unfit to
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for a small amount of freight. There was also
a large quantity of clothing belonging to the crew,
which was packed in boxes & the crew
carefully stored in the hold of the ship. I am
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that a Stevedore, who will do such work, should be made
to suffer for it. The storage in the upper part of the ship
I have no particular fault to find with. There
was some slighter damage - but I don't know that I
can find fault with the storage; in almost every case,
the packages show a latent defect, which should have
been seen before received in good order; therefore
I presume we will have to pay the claims - they are not
brought in yet, so I do not know the amount.
Mr Kittle has sold the Iron & Sugar & Amst. & has
sold the duck. I don't know that an opinion in the
matter is required from me, but I can't help
thinking you have made a mistake, in placing your
consignments for this ship, of which I can tell you
more, upon my return home. Mr Kittle has
done every thing for me, that I have asked him
to do; but as a Consignee I do not like him.

I can not reconcile the fact, of a Master having
to dance attendance upon, & run after his consignee,
every time that his attention, may be required, with
my idea, of the amount of personal attention,
required at the ship, which I consider necessary
for the proper protection of all interests.

I got my new Bowditch in this A.M. it will
cost me about three hundred dollars. I have
done all the work, so far, without hiring any
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 & gave them a good coat of pitch, & I hope that
 it will rectify her leakage. I have had to
 do some patching on my Copper but not a
 great amount - as far as I can see
 is in quite good order. I think if you
 could see, Mr Brownishield & his manner
 of performing his duty, in this port, you would
 be more than satisfied, notwithstanding
 appearances were so much against him
 in New York. Mr Lanning is a good sailor, but
 does not understand carrying on work to the
 best advantage, with a few hands, he means
 well however, & I am satisfied with him.
 My Steward wishes me to send forty dollars to
 his wife. If you will please send that sum
 to my wife, the Steward's wife can call at my
 house & get it. Mr Kille tell me that he
 will pay you per this steamer, through Wells,
 Fargo & Co five thousand dollars, in gold - I shall
 probably be able to close all my inward
 business next week, of which I will advise
 you per next mail. Trusting that this
 will find you all well, & meet your
 approbation. I remain my Dear Sir, Resp
 your Obedient servant

Geo H. Brock

I have been thinking of you a great deal lately, and wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write to you. I have been thinking of you a great deal lately, and wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write to you.

Henry Hastings Esq. Boston
 My Dear Sir
 I advise you per
 last steamer of matters & things pertaining to the
 "Midnight." I have now to advise you of the final
 settlement of our inward freight & cargo with this the
 ship & with Messrs. Dorr. The balance of funds now in hand, I
 keep to cover my disbursements, Shipping &c. You will observe
 that our bill of shortages & damages are heavy, a little of this
 is to be charged to the bad storage, but by far the largest
 amount I think are unjust claims, in which
 opinion, Mr. Kittle fully concurred with me; the three
 items of glass, liquor & Castles, we have had to pay for.
 The claims on liquor were mostly caused by leakage.
 Many of the Cases exhibited the marks of defects which
 were latent & should have been seen & rejected in time.
 I was much dissatisfied with the payment of the claims
 on glass; it was apparently well stowed & every one who
 saw it told me so. The fact I am at a loss to tell how
 it should be stowed, to have it any better.
 Notwithstanding this fact, the boxes contained much
 broken glass, & we have had to pay for it. I mentioned in my
 last that as Consignee, I did not like Messrs. Dorr & Co.
 & I now think that had Mr. Kittle attended more upon
 the ship & known how things were stowed, himself
 it would have made some difference in our expenses.
 Justice to Mr. Kittle however, impels the acknowledgment
 that in the settling of our claims, he worked hard —
 harder by far than any other Consignee I ever had.
 Enclosed with this, I hand you a copy of my charter.
 I am making good progress in loading, & am nearly
 finished. I commenced on the eighteenth —
 The ship will probably be in your town, therefore

The first thing I should mention is that I have been thinking about you a great deal lately. I hope you are well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but I always find time to think of my friends. I have been thinking about you a great deal lately. I hope you are well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but I always find time to think of my friends. I have been thinking about you a great deal lately. I hope you are well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but I always find time to think of my friends.

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I expect to make a good passage home, with
 the exception of her bottom the ship will require but a
 little for another voyage. I can be ready to load
 again, within ten days after arriving. I see through
 Messrs Brooks & Co. last week, four of the 30 of June
 in that, you may reflect, on me for my long passage
 I stand unjustly. I can assure you that I
 tried my best to get along faster & feel quite
 unwilling to acknowledge that it was through
 want of mine that I did not. The "Midnight"
 although without doubt, a much better ship, than
 the M. L. Fulton, never saw the day that she
 could begin to sail as fast, even under the most
 favorable circumstances. How you could expect
 her, drawing twenty feet of water, to do wonders,
 is beyond my comprehension. I think, under all the
 circumstances, we did well. & if you will look over
 list of ships, you will find that the "Midnight" has
 beaten the majority of them who sailed about the
 same time. I regret that my bills are so
 much heavier this voyage than they were last,
 but I assure you, I am trying my best to be
 economical. At the same time, keep all things in
 good order. I feel rather sorry that I had not kept
 all of your duck & made it up for the ship, not
 that I particularly need it but the party satisfied
 it & actually sold it for less, than I was
 offered for it, the same day, on board of the ship,
 which was below the market value.

I hope to be ready for sea, before the next mail,
 trusting this will find you all well & meet
 your approbation. I remain, My Dear Sir,

Your Obedient servant

Geo H. Brooks

My dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the bill for the relief of the poor of the County of New York, and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
John W. Brown

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By Amount of cash rec^d
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on 1/2 freight - Total \$ 1896.20

" Cash rec^d for empty Bbls - 24

" " Sale of Copper - 281.75

" " for Saper - 175

" Discount of Market 1/2 2.20

\$ 2380.15

with J. H. Brock - San Francisco Dr
1862

	To Cash paid officers & crew	612.50
	Shipping bill	480
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" 4	Bill of Lading for Damage	48
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" 6	" " " " " "	12.58
" 7	Dips & Co. Groceries &c	86.65
" 8	Carroting	2.85
" 9	Wood & Cords	18
" 10	Landing	5
" 11	Market account	63.20
" 12	Line Stock for Sea	21.30
" 13	Milk	4.85
	Cash paid for fresh fish	2.50
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	" Left with D.M.C. to remit	450
	" Left with M.L.C. for Mearns	200
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	" Personal &c	205.67
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J. H. Brock

San Francisco Aug 9 1862

San Francisco Aug 9 1862

Henry Hastings Esq.
Boston

My dear Sir - I hereby advise you, that the "Midnight" finished her loading this P.M. & will take Steam to-morrow at 4 A.M. Herewith I hand you my 1/2 Cent of disbursements retaining the vouchers, to bring with me. I have a surplus of four hundred & fifty - dollars, which Mr. Kittle will remit you for this steamer, in gold, through Wells Fargo & Co. I also send you herewith a copy of the letter I sent you for steamer Golden Gate, July 21st - Hope you had insurance on the five thousand, we had in her. The "Midnight" is in good order, in every particular & has ought to make a good run home. She requires so little done to her that I can see nothing to hinder, having her ready to commence loading in ten days after arrival - I have only to ask, that in making your calculations for loading, you will so arrange that I will not be consigned, to Messrs Flint & Babcock. Mr. Sammes, my second officer is extremely anxious to have you give his wife fifty-dollars; I have told him that I would mention it to you, & you could do as you please. I have made him no promise - but will mention that he has more than that amount due. If you feel disposed, please send forty-dollars to my wife, to be disposed of as I state in the copy I send you. After using what Metal I needed, I have

sent the balance for 25th per lb. being the
 best I could do with it — The Midnight
 makes a little water but not enough to be
 much alarmed. My draft is about
 equal to 17 ft. with plenty of ballast
 so that I can carry sail — I have one
 of Sapsuger. — It is now past 11 PM &
 I am very tired, therefore if I have not
 mentioned every thing please excuse it.

Trusting this will find you well
 & meet your approbation. I remember
 up my back. Respectfully yours

Obedient servant

Geo M. Brock

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 the night the first of October I got the
 first of the season — but I am sure
 I have not got of some kind of water, many times
 but never before did I get caught in one with
 such a poor miserable wind and rain as this
 take care of the ship — I wish you to tell me
 that I don't believe any ship left Boston before
 with a heavier one. Some of the men, shipped him

I have been thinking of writing you for some time but have been so busy that I could not find time. I am now at home and have some time to spare. I am well and hope this letter finds you the same. I have been thinking of writing you for some time but have been so busy that I could not find time. I am now at home and have some time to spare. I am well and hope this letter finds you the same.

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San Francisco June 1, 1861

Wm. H. Burdett Esq (in the office of the
Postoffice for the Pacific Coast)

My Dear Sir

The good old ship Midnight arrived here on Friday last, of which I advise you by telegraph of that date - on the 10th I advised you of the state of the freight market - yesterday the Bayan telegraphed to get your lowest limits, either for Boston or Melbourne. I have not yet received an answer but hope that your advice may be such as will enable me to go to Australia, as I think that would be the most profitable one for us. I have now to advise you of the receipt upon arrival of your favor of May 12 covering letter of credit ship &c &c &c. They are making good progress discharging as much as the state of the cargo will admit which I am sorry to say is coming out in rather wet state, a large proportion of it, having been quite thoroughly saturated with salt water but so much & stowage thus far good - Now for the cause - on Tuesday night the fourth from Boston, I got the most confounded twisting, that I ever experienced. I have had lots of wind, much worse, many times but never before did I get caught in one with such a poor miserable crowd on board with which to take care of the ship - I wish you to tell Mr. Burdett that I do not believe any ship ever left Boston before with a fairer one. Some of the rain, shipped by him

San Francisco, June 1st 1846
 Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th inst. in relation to the proposed sale of the land of the State of California. I am sorry to say that I am unable to give you the information you desire at present. The land of the State of California is now being surveyed and the results of the survey will be published in a few months. I am sorry to say that I am unable to give you the information you desire at present. The land of the State of California is now being surveyed and the results of the survey will be published in a few months. I am sorry to say that I am unable to give you the information you desire at present. The land of the State of California is now being surveyed and the results of the survey will be published in a few months.

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 that came with the mate were but little better than
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 less they were good enough, in the kind of vessel they were
 brought up in, small craft & a strong & stout had we suc-
 ceeded in getting sail in & furled, as we should have
 done & for which I had ample time with even
 an ordinary crew, we could not do nothing. But they
 did not get in either of the heavy sail & we were
 obliged to let them blow away & when the yards did not
 go aloft, I can hardly tell. After losing all heavy
 sail except the fore top sail, we lay to the wind
 with our lee dead end under water, the hatches
 & deck being entirely submerged & became
 in a great measure unmanageable; it being
 impossible to do anything with our yards owing
 to the great quantity of water on deck, the
 position of the ship & the fact of our braces, all
 being tangled in an inextricable mass. We
 were boarded by sea after sea, washing away the
 Bulk Hatch, Binnacle, both skylights, all
 three small boats, - gallies, jibs & all going
 together - we also lost all our Coal, most of
 our wood, part of the water casks, all the
 gratings, steps, lumber & in fact every thing
 of a loose nature off deck. Had the ship remained

in that position a few hours longer. I should
 either had to cut away the after masts, to get
 her off, or she would inevitably gone to bottom, as
 it was, we had four feet of water in our hold,
 before we could do any thing with our pumps. There
 every reason to believe that the largest portion of
 the water, went down, through the upper works,
 inasmuch as the ship makes little or no water
 through her bottom. Our Cabin got nearly full of water,
 ruining all our stores in the pantry, filling the
 bread room & spoiling the most of that. Therefore
 I expect our disbursements will be large. Although
 you may depend upon my using close economy.
 I have sold a portion of my paper, but shall
 keep the balance until I hear from you, unless the
 exchange should get unusually favorable.
 Thus far, we have received nothing else in payment
 for freight except from backs, & are obliged to
 pay gold for everything. The rate to day at 64h.
 I have been looking all day for a dispatch from
 you, but nothing yet. Have discharged all my crew
 except one boy & the halibut. Have the Master
 Cook & Howard still on board.

Shall write again in a few days & give
 you all further particulars.
 Hoping this will find you all well. I remain
 Respectfully your Obedient Servant

Gust B. Brock -

I have been looking at your fine collection of
 you, but nothing yet. I am disappointed and
 as yet we go to the hospital - but the water
 out of the fountain is a few days ago
 that will be again in a few days again
 you are further further
 hoping this fine fountain is all over
 respecting your collection of

San Francisco June 23rd 1863

Henry Hastings Esq
Boston

My dear Sir

I advised you on the
17th inst. of my arrival here, & the receipt of your
favor of May 12th Concerning Credit &c. I have also
rec^d the following Telegrams - June 18th & 19th -
your favor of May 12th was rec^d by last steamer
with duplicate credit. I telegraphed you this P.M. the
destination of the "Midnight" & the amount of gold,
sent you through Wells Fargo & Co express - Herewith
enclosed please find their receipt for Five Thousand
dollars in gold coin, which is the amount you
requested me to send, & in fact is as much
as I think could be spared at present, not having
yet rec^d an account of claims. I do not know
the exact sum I may require for disbursements.

The charterers have the option of paying as much
of their freight money here as they may desire. -
Should I have any more than is required, I will
 remit same to you. Our Charter is a small vessel
Twenty one hundred & fifty dollars net, with the privilege
of stopping at the Islands, for freight, & also to
take from here, any freight that may offer for the
Islands - Mr Ladd seems to think that I may

possibly be able to find some business for the
of water & other articles in the ship. He does not seem

My dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your
 favor of the 12th inst. and in reply to inform you
 that the following telegram - June 25th - 1874 -
 Your favor of May 22nd was received. The telegram
 with duplicate sent. The telegram was the 1st of
 destination of the telegram to the amount of \$100.
 Sent you through Bell Telephone - amount
 enclosed please find this receipt for the amount
 dollar and four cents, which is the amount you
 requested me to draw. The fact is as stated
 and that I have been at present, and having
 not set on account of delay, I am out of
 the exact sum I had required for the same.
 The statement has the option of paying as much
 of this freight money as the way there -
 should I have any more there is required, which
 amount I am to you. Our Charter is a small paper
 sent the amount of \$100.00 out with the freight
 of shipping at the place, for freight, also to
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to get some to land here, perhaps enough to even expenses.
 They have fifteen lay days, commencing last Saturday,
 which brings me to the 5th July. Shall probably sail soon
 after that date. Just at the present time, there
 seems to be nothing better for us. Could get quite good
 freight, providing the ship had two ports large enough
 for square timber. I mentioned in my last, that
 the cargo was showing a great quantity of salt water.
 Every thing except about 10 tons of rails is out, the
 entire ground tier of sugar in casks, had dissolved -
 not a pound left; every thing that was stowed
 in the bottom of the ship, got more or less wet &
 nearly all the goods, on the port side, between the
 fore & main masts were more or less wet. The
 necessaries got quite a severe loss upon their
 racks. The stowage upon the whole, was excellent -
 & I do not see, how they can bring in, a very
 large amount of claims, against us, will
 probably know all about it in a few days -
 notwithstanding our severe wetting & hard usage.
 I am pleased to report, the "Midnight" is in
 grand order, & does not show the least signs
 of working any more than ever she did. & if
 business is in the least degree favorable, you
 may expect a good report from our prospective
 campaign, in China or India - I am very much
 puzzled to tell you how much an immense quantity
 of water (5 ft) got in the ship. She does not seem

to leak much through her bottom; in light
 weather, we do not average over an inch per day
 & so it goes, week after week, in heavy weather,
 she makes some considerable more — but nothing
 at all worth troubling about. The deck seams
 are tight, as in fact are all the upper works,
 that I can get at. Still the fact remains &
 I can't get clear of it. we had fully five
 feet of water in the ship. I got it pumped out
 as quick as I could & since then she has never
 had much at any one time — you ask about
 my Officers &c. Mr Jackson is without exception
 the poorest sea mate I ever had & perhaps
 the best one for port. The truth is, he has always
 been used to short European voyages, & was entire-
 ly ignorant of the duties of a long voyage. If
 I could do any better here, I should certainly
 discharge him — at present I see no prospect.
 His will is good & he is trying hard to learn, &
 I can perceive a vast improvement — perhaps
 in time, he will be all we wish him. Mr Joyce is
 all I anticipated, doing nicely — as for Behallow, he
 is the best fellow for his age & experience I ever
 saw; his next voyage must be a full grade higher.
 I have only one of the boys — young Phillips — he is a
 good one & will stick to the ship. The Cook I
 presume will remain, but the Steward I am
 going to discharge here. In settling with him —

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San Francisco June 18 1858
 I shall calculate that you will pay his wife her
 moiety up to the middle of July, which will make,
 according to your report to me, five months pay due
 by her. The first being March 16th last July 16th after
 which date you will please discontinue the same.

The payment of our entire freight list has been
 made in greenbacks upon which we are going to
 make great loss the only use to which I can
 put them was in paying off the crew, all other
 bills must be paid in gold. I have sold at the
 following rate - 1000 \$ at 65¢ about 1200 \$ only
 get 64 1/2 ¢ for - the balance I have on hand
 hoping that they may increase in value - Unless
 you get a large premium for the gold, we shall
 not do much on this freight. I shall probab-
 require all I have left for disbursements -

I found enclosed in my last (May 25) a very striking
 representation of one of the Union men, of
 our glorious union, which strikes every one, as
 being remarkably good & life like, many thanks for
 same - I enclose with this, two letters - by
 forwarding which, you will greatly oblige -

Trusting this will get along right, & find
 you all well. I remain your Obedient servant

Geo H. Brock

San Francisco June 26th 1843

Henry Hastings
Boston

Offered for 'Midnight' Two Tonnetts, sugar and
six, Grain Liverpool. Five Thousand dollars prop. Lumber
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Geo. H. Brock

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W. L. Brock

San Francisco June 1843

Henry Hastings
Baker

Office for the night. The house was
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 Henry Hastings Esq.
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My Dear Sir

I write you for the purpose
 of the 23rd giving you an idea of all matters also
 enclosing Wells Fargo's receipt for five hundred
 dollars in gold. Herewith enclosed I send you
 duplicate of same. We are now loading
 rapidly. Should freight continue as brisk, will
 be ready for sea in a few days in advance of time.
 Inward cargo is all out but steamers not yet in.
 will probably have same tomorrow or next day.
 Mr. Lator has just lost his youngest child, as
 I attended the funeral this morn. I got behind
 my time. Can only give you these few lines.
 I mentioned in my pleasure telling that Mr.
 Steward was about leaving, & requesting you to
 pay his wife her money for July & then
 discontinue same, & I will act accordingly
 in settlement. With great respect
 I remain your obedient servant
 C. H. Brooks
 is all out & I am nearly done. C. H. Brooks for
 Papineau will probably get away sometime
 next week. All the ships which have been
 delayed on account of crews who
 have been on shore for several days & as yet I have
 not a man upon them. I have never yet

San Francisco July 1. 1863
 Henry Hastings Esq. (I do not mean any other
 Boston) My dear Sir
 I thought I had
 advised you fully, but in looking over my letter
 took this morning, I found that I had omitted
 saying anything about Sterndore. You say in
 your letter, that all things being equal, you
 would prefer having me employ Amos & Pittman.
 There being a fixed & agreed price, with all the
 Sterndores, it becomes necessary to look at the
 qualifications of the different men. I have had
 abundant opportunities, during my many voyages
 here, to become quite well acquainted, with all the
 Sterndores & their manner of working, & have
 come to the conclusion, that it is the best economy, to
 employ those who are the most faithful & careful -
 I have in accordance with this idea given the work
 to Capt Tracy, the same one I had the last time.
 I trust him to be careful & attentive to the ship, which
 is more than I can say for Mr Ames. My cargo
 is all out & I am nearly loaded, and ready for
 saprugs - will probably get away some time
 next week - all the ships at anchorage have been much
 bothered & delayed on account of crews. My articles
 have been open several days & as yet I have
 not a man upon them; I have never yet -

upon my other voyages had much trouble in getting
what I needed. I do not mean now to have
anything delayed, even at the risk of going away with-
out it. I think we would have made a great
savings, if instead of selling our goods here, I
could have sent them all to you for export. The
rate for selling has been so low, that you will need
to obtain a large quantity of gold, to bring us
square. What I have seen thus far, has a great
deal more than 60%. My opinion is, that gold is more
likely to rise in value, than the opposite.

I suppose you have ordered me to Hong Kong, upon
the idea that we will find good business there.
Advisers here dissent from it. I do not warrant any
such thought. I would like to go to Australia, & should
certainly do so, did it rest entirely with me. Your
limits for that market are entirely too high for
the present offerings; the best I can get, would
only give me about nine thousand dollars gross.
I think notwithstanding this fact, we would make
a better year work by going that route, unless you
intend purchasing a cargo yourself, that would of
course alter matters, & render these remarks super-
erogatory. If your intention is for me to seek
business, I wish you would send me a two year
credit for £2000. So that in case I find freight-
dull, I may go into the Rice trade for the Ceylon
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The ship will be ready to sail for the coast of
 America in about 10 days. I am very sorry to hear
 of your illness. I am sure it is very improper with
 its advantages. I do not think home freight
 for American Bottoms, will be very good, for a long
 time either in India or China. Therefore should I
 be so fortunate as to obtain local employment, you
 need not expect to see me at home for a long time.
 The ship can be kept in running order, a great while and
 with small expense. Mr. Tolson is our first board
 & requests me to give you his respects.

I must not quit as the overland mail closes in
 about half an hour from now — 12 10/11

Hoping this will find you all well & that
 none of your "Crack Ship" will be captured &
 burnt. I remain Respectfully yours

Whistler's journal 16 36.28

John Smith, from Gen. H. B. Cook,

Extra postage 18 3.00

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Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above named matter. I am sorry to hear that you are not satisfied with the result of the investigation. I am, however, confident that the facts as stated in the report are correct. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours, &c.
 J. B. [Signature]

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Ship *Midnight's Dream* in port J. H. Brock Master.

1863 - To paid Bill of Nightman & Boarder	1	9.25		
" " " " Treasurers & Co	2	12.50		
" " " " Amers Pildage	3	75.02		
" " " " Refrig & Storing Interest	4	28.50		
" " " " Harbor Dues	5	38.48		
" " " " Chief Discharging Clerk	6	90.00		
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" " " " Coopersage Bill	8	60.50		
" " " " Bills of Advertising	9	7.50		
" " " " Wharfage	10	196.00		
" " " " Port Wardens Levy	11	75.25		
" " " " Bill of Water	12	15.00		
" " " " Storehouse	13	806.06		
" " " " Watts - Ship Carpenter	14	51.24		
" " " " Graves & Smith - Copper Smith	15	60.00		
" " " " Dicks & Co - Stores	16	86.28		
" " " " John Welch - Produce	17	121.00		
" " " " Extra Cooperage	18	3.00		
" " " " J. D. Farwell & Co	19	19.30		
" " " " J. Duncan - Lumber	20	63.25	1874	13
First Delivery & Damages -				
Or B. M. & Co	21	6.00		
Stearns & Co	22	143.75		
B. J. & Co	23	25.00		
Hooker & Co	24	17.50		
Quander & Co	25	10.08		
Geo. L. Johnson & Co	26	32.00		
Robert & Co	27	75.00		
Nash & Co	28	77.50		
Geo. Wicks & Co	29	25.34		
C. P. Soler	30	6.00	448	17
Carried forward			448	17
			2322	20

To Account Brought over

2322.72

" Bill of Lumber Whittier & Co	31	5.00	
" D. B. Coleman	32	17.25	
" J. Bayle Transit	33	8.50	
" J. Tennant	34	4.00	
" I. C. Mitchell & Co	35	371.78	521.30
" Market %	36	60.44	24532.82
" Custom House fees & charges		127.60	
" Telegrams to & from Boston		60.15	
" Cash to Officers & Crew		658.90	
" Express & Postage on letters		.60	
" Fish & Fruit 3.50 Washing 2.50		6.00	
" Window glass in cabin 1.50 Medicine 1.00		2.50	
" Stamp on passenger receipt		5.00	
" Ticket on sale of S. Currency		1110.84	
" 7.50 20 @ 64 1/2		1775	
" S. B. Benson & Co	5	1770.00	
" 6555 @ 64 1/2		2327.12	
" 5170 @ 65		1809.50	24532.31
" 2810 @ 65 1/2		1869.45	
" 1072 @ 73 1/2		284.26	
June 23 To Shipment for W. L. Fargo & Co			
Express 1 Bag Gold Coin 10.00		179.25	
Express charges - Stamp &c		179.25	10,179.25
July 1 2 nd Shipment for W. L. Fargo & Co			
1 Bag Gold Coin		650.00	
Express Stamp &c		43.25	663.25
To Draft on Henry Hastings Esq		1500.00	
" Cash left with Messrs. Soler & Co			
to pay bill, not in, steamer &c		480.00	21340.52
			23532.72

To Amount Brought over July 9th 1863 \$23632.72

Cash on hand to pay shipping bill
not yet paid & personal c/o

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Ex By Amount of freight

Let out - Lf. Com. Dec^r from house, providing

the ship reader Lofe & Co. 22 153.13

By Cash from the Y. B. B. Co.

of Chart. & provision of freight in specie 2110.84

By Cash from Lofe & Co. to Island 200.00

Receipt of goods sold by auction 55.35

Discount on Voucher No 35 10.00

By Cash from Lofe & Co. 35.00

\$24532.32

San Francisco July 9th 1863

After some delay I have at last the honor

to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th inst.

relative to the account of disbursements &c.

which you have enclosed. I have the honor to

acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 24th inst.

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The above is a list of the
 names of the persons who
 have been admitted to
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Done Francis a July 8^e 1530 M^{re} 1533

Wm. H. D. D.

San Francisco July 9th 1863 11.45 PM
 Henry Hastings Esq. {
 Boston }
 My Dear Sir

I hereby advise you of the final completion of all my business, & subsequent
 reading for sea of the good ship "Midnight" —
 I have engaged Steamer for 7 A.M. to-morrow morning —
 & intend making a start for the Islands, providing
 two men who I have ship'd, succeed in getting on board
 time enough for me to do so. It being extremely
 difficult to procure men just now, I have
 thought it wisest for me to get as many as I could,
 without delay, & proceed on as far as the Islands —
 filling up my Complement there. I have now
 eight on board, & if I get the two that I
 am expecting in the morning I am off —
 I have a partial freight, with plenty of room
 for more, should same offer at the Islands.
 Also 246 Steerage & four Cabin passengers — the
 latter for the Islands only — I hand you herewith
 enclosed, my Account current of disbursements &c.
 Vouchers for same — Charter Party — Receipt of
 Miss Wells Fargo & Co for Six Hundred & fifty dollars, in
 Gold Coin, which I send you per next steamer,
 of 16th inst. Also the original of exchange drawn

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by Capt J. T. Humes of Ship Chas. on ye
 of Henry Hastings Esq of Boston Payable at
 Sight in Gold Coin, to my own order. I have
 endorsed same & you will please place it to account
 of Ship Midnight. as I was about remitting &
 Capt Humes had got to draw for disbursements.
 I thought I might as well take his draft & save
 the exp. & insurance on the gold - You will
 observe by my account rendered that I have
 collected the largest portion of Charter money
 here we have on board some \$56,000.00 in specie,
 upon which I get, one half the freight. If I succeed
 in getting any freight at the Islands I think we
 will make a good thing by going this way. I have
 used my best endeavors, to keep my bills as small
 as a consistent regard, for the well being of the
 Ship would warrant - buying nothing that I thought
 I could get along without. My Claims for Shortage
 & damages, are but about half, what they were last
 voyage, although the actual damages, were more
 than double. You may perhaps remember my
 views & remarks about the settling of claims here -
 & the amount of personal attention given by the
 different Consignees, in this place - Suffice
 it for me to say here, that I have seen no reason
 to change my mind - I am more than satisfied
 with Mr. Soler. No person, could work harder
 than he has for the "Midnight." with any other

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Consignees that even if I had dealings with,
 we could have had heavier claims than ever I
 had to pay. It has been a hard & very perplexing
 fight, to get clear of some of the largest of them.
 One is not yet settled, being under arbitration now.
 I have deposited with Mr L. sufficient funds to cover,
 providing - as I presume will be the case - it goes against
 the ship - The ship is in good order; ready for
 anything that may offer. The worst thing is the debt,
 by all old ones. I lost all my new ones, in the
 gale soon after I left Boston - Canvas is still high,
 I have bought just enough, to make a main course,
 which I shall attend to myself, & save the sail makers
 bill. I have not had any of the things I expected, that
 I lost; but have bought the requisite lumber, & have
 got I think a good Carpenter, & shall try to
 get all done up right at sea, under my own
 supervision, by so doing we will save more
 than enough, to pay the entire amount of the
 Carpenters wages for a long time. I have had to
 obtain a large quantity of bread, our got wet
 in said gale, & I had to throw a great amount of
 it overboard. Also of flour, of which I was entirely
 out, two weeks previous to my arrival here.
 I still retain Mr Jackson because I do
 not see any chance of doing any better. He is
 a poor man, but I can see that he constantly
 improves, he is a man of excellent habits, one

I have been thinking of you very much lately, and wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write to you. I have been thinking of you very much lately, and wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write to you.

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who can be trusted. the only thing wanting to
make a good mate is experience, both in his
profession & in learning human nature. Mr Jorie
fully meets my expectations & is doing well. as
for Penhallow he is the best man on board. young
Phillips is a good boy & is doing well, he declares
that he will stick by all the rest leave. I have the
same Cook - but a new Steward. The Charger
is in the stream, loaded & waiting for a crew &
I am fearful, unless there should be many arrivals
quite soon, that he will be a long time waiting.

As it was going to cost us largely to get a new
boat built & I could not get an old one that was
good for anything. Capt Knowles has let me
have one of the charges, which you will please
replace upon her return & charge same to the
"Midnight". I shall probably get another in
China, or wherever I can get one cheaply.

It is now near 2 1/2 m & I am tired & have
got another letter to get ready to send you per
overland mail, therefore I will close with
hoping that you are all well - as we are all here.

I remain my dear Sir. Most Respectfully your
Obedient servant

P.S. If I have made any mistake Geo H Brock
please change it to fatigue

G H B

Geo H Brock

who can be trusted. The only thing wanting to
 make a good man is experience, but in his
 profession & in learning from nature. The force
 of facts & the expectations & is doing well. As
 for probability he is the best man on board. Young
 Phillips is a good boy & is doing well. He declares
 that he will stick to me to the last. There are
 some good but a few others. The character
 is in the stomach, I am waiting for a good
 I am fearful, much that I have to say, coming
 quite soon, that he will be a long time waiting.
 As it was going to look on board, to get a new
 boat built & I have not yet got one, nor any other
 good for anything. I am thinking, but let me
 have one of the things, which you will please
 explain upon the subject & change some to the
 "Mistake". I shall probably get another in
 China or elsewhere. I can get one cheap.
 It is now over 2 or 3 years that I have
 got another letter to get ready to leave you for
 another cruise, therefore I will close with
 hoping that you are all well - as we are all here.
 I remain, my dear Mr. Brewster, your
 Obedient servant

P.S. I have made a copy of this letter
 for Mr. Brewster
 W. L. G.

San Francisco July 10th 1863 & 4 m
 Henry Hastings Esq
 Boston {
 My dear Sir

I drop you a few lines
 to cover duplicate receipt of Gold for Wells, Fargo &
 Co. also duplicate of exchange, drawn by Capt. Knudsen
 against yourself, in my favor, which you will
 find enclosed. The aggregate amount of both just
 equals to total amount of my present charter -
 the most of which has been paid here. I
 have in some \$5600 dollars in specie upon
 which I pay one half the freight & passage. I
 have also four passengers to land at the colonies -
 so that the whole amount will exceed \$2400 dollars -
 rather better than first anticipated. Mr. Soler did
 not charge me any Com on the charter although
 he did all about obtaining it. He has done well
 for me & I am more than satisfied.

I have written you more fully per
 steamer of the 13th inst. Trusting this will
 find you all well. I remain Respectfully
 Your Obedient servant
 Geo. H. Brock

My dear Mr. B. {
Boston
New Bedford

I have been a few days
in your delightful receipt of your paper &
a. also delightful receipt of exchange. I am
regarding myself in my favor, which you will
find incorrect. The appropriate amount of last night
I had in total amount of my present charity
the part of which has been paid here. I
have in your \$1000.00 in specie upon
which I have one half the right of exchange. I
have also for paper to take at the same
to that the whole amount will stand \$500.00
with better than first rate interest for the same
not charge me any more on the charter although
the title, all about obtaining it. It has done well
I am & I am more than satisfied
I have written you more full for
statement of the 13th inst. I am writing this with
kind regards to all. I remain your respectful
servant
Geo. W. Brooks

San Francisco July 10/63
 Messrs Hastings & Co

My dear Sir

I have just received
 your letter of the 9th inst. and am glad to hear
 of the safe arrival of this last cargo
 of the good ship "Midnight" all well and good.

San Francisco July 10/63
 Messrs Hastings & Co
 Boston

Midnight just gone
 Messrs Fargo, Steamer thirteenth, six
 hundred fifty, Coim

Yours H. Brock

I find as much freight here as I can
 accommodate. I have a few more
 of the light which is sent here to China is a species
 of paper about as heavy as feather, not at all
 heavy. I give it a weight. I have in hand
 about a small quantity for a few thousand
 more. I am waiting for a few more. Subject
 to come. I have a few more getting in.

Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above mentioned matter.
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours, &c.
 J. J. Black

I Honolulu July 24th PM 1863

Henry Hastings Esq

Boston

My Dear Sir

I herein advise
You of the safe arrival at this Port yesterday
of the good ship "Midnight" - all well in good
order. I had a fine run over, although very short
handed & obliged to come along upon the last plane.
I left San Francisco, with only six men & four
boys - being apprehensive, that I might have
to wait several days for men. I thought it best
to get along any how, I over the risk of getting
men here. Good Seamen are scarce - but I
have succeeded in obtaining enough of the
ordinary stuff, to enable me to get along well
enough. I find as much freight here as I can
accommodate & could get more, had I more room -
The freight which is sent here to China is a species
of fungus, about as heavy as feathers, not at all
compact & goes entirely by weight. I have on board
about 2000 lbs & have room for a few thousand
more. Am getting for same 1 3/4¢ per lb. Subject
to come - I now anticipate getting to see, during
the next few months, the first of the season.

to come - I am confident of getting to my journey
home - the shipping for home 1st of April. Subject
about 1000 lbs. there over for a few thousand
pounds. I am in need of weight. I have a box
of things about as heavy as feathers, but at all
the weight which is sent for a China is a species
of commensurate & over for me, for I have some -
enough. I find as much freight here as I can
continue enough, to enable me to get along well
here however in obtaining enough of the
from here - from London are done - but I
to get along any way, I am the worst of company
to want several days for me. I thought that
help - being apprehensive that I might have
left the business, with all my money & for
hundred dollars in the same place, when the day plan
was. I have a fine new one, a little of my weight
of the fine ship. I might as well be the first
man of the ship arrives at this port yesterday

Yours truly
John H. H. H.

London July 22nd 1843

P.M. of 6th instant Saturday 22nd July. As the mail
 for San Francisco closes & leaves here tomorrow A.M.,
 I am obliged to get this ready to night, because
 I will be too busy to do it in the morning. I shall
 keep it open until the last moment, so that should
 there be time I may enclose my 9c of disbursements.
 It may be possible that I will get a good freight
 back to San Francisco from Hong Kong, & I shall
 endeavor if possible to keep the ship in my own
 hands. Should such be the result, I hope you
 will not consign me to any particular person
 but give me the Charter to do as seems best for
 all interests. I have now been in S.F. often enough
 to have quite good opinion of the different Merchants
 who are apt of doing the business of a ship. —
 During my late visit to that port the attention &
 protection I received, far exceeded any thing
 of the kind ever before experienced, during previous
 voyages & I do honestly believe, that under any
 other administration, with which I have acquaintance,
 my charges & claims would have been more than
 double what I had to pay — for my outward
 charter I was charged no Comamping at all, & this
 notwithstanding, that our Solver has procured me
 a foreign charter, with no charge. I am somewhat
 particular in making these statements from the
 fact, of the views upon this subject expressed by
 myself & Capt Hatch, to me, before I left

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the
 estate of the late John A. Smith, deceased. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the
 proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours, &c.

Boston to command this voyage, & I should be
 unjust to my own being & convictions if I did other-
 wise, as my ideas on this subject had remained unchanged.
 I hope Capt Knowles has not been detained on
 account of a cold, although I am apprehensive,
 that such will be the case, as the "Charger" will
 not bear a very good name amongst sailors —
 I was quite pleased with the account you gave
 me of your stewardess — she is a smart one
 & I would like right well to try her a bit if it
 came right. Although I still hold the belief that
 no better ship (minus speed) ever floated than this
 "Semi-Midnight". I feel quite severely of the loss
 of the heavy sails, that were used up in such a rapid
 & sudden manner soon after I left Boston —
 but duck is so exorbitantly high, that I shall
 try & see how little I can do with —

Trusting this will find you all as well
 as it leaves us, I remain very Respectfully
 your Obedient servant
 Geo L. Brock

Boston to London in the Argo, & I should be
 obliged to my own being & convenience if I did not
 miss, as my way on this subject is somewhat
 I hope I shall find it has been determined on
 account of a great deal of time & expense
 that I shall be the case, as the Argo will
 not be a very good name for a ship
 I was quite pleased with the account you gave
 me of your travels - It is a great one
 & I wonder the right word to put in it
 some right. I think I shall have the belief that
 in better ship (I mean speed) than I have
 seen. I think I feel quite proud of the ship
 of the heavy sail, that was used up in such a rapid
 & I am sure you will be left to see
 but I am so very much obliged to you that I shall
 be a great deal better I can be sure
 I am sure the ship will find you all of well
 as it leaves us, I remain very respectfully
 your Obedient servant
 J. B. B.

Saturday 10 A.M.
 P.S. The mail closes in thirty minutes —
 will add, that my freight here, will be
 a triple over a thousand dollars, by paying
 including advances to new crew about
 half that amount — which I provide for
 without drawing — shall sail this P.M.
 all well

Respectfully

L. M. Truck

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the
 a bottle over a thousand dollars, & having
 regarding the same as to your own about
 half that amount - which I perceive for
 without drawing - that since the 1st
 all over

Properly
 J. M. Buck

Long Range, Sept 7th 1863
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Monoluna July 25th 1863 4 PM

Hon. Hastings Esq
 Boston

Dear Sir
 Herewith enclosed I send

you my 1st of expenditures since my last 1st
 rendered July 9 1863, which I leave here
 to be forwarded. I shall sail for Hong Kong
 in about ten minutes hence. Freight List
 between twelve & thirteen hundred dollars.

Respectfully Yours

Geo. H. Brock
 I have not time to write you more than to say that the account of your
 expenditure is correct, having looked up my
 list of heavy bills, which I have kept in
 in S. F. & have made myself a new main list, in the
 passage over shall of course correct any mistake
 and as the are needed. If material could be bought
 cheaply I shall have some of the work done in the
 it is very dear - that I feel it necessary to say
 I am a party to the expense, consequently shall do the best
 of it in order. In all other respects I hope is in
 good order. I can be kept in from any other length

My dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22nd inst.

and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I have also the honor to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

Yours faithfully
Geo. H. Davis

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Henry King, Sept 9 1860
 Henry Hastings Esq
 Boston
 My Sir

I have the pleasure of
 advising you of the safe arrival at this port, the
 30th inst. of the good ship under my charge, after
 30 days from San Francisco, having made the fine
 run of 35 days from Honolulu. I found upon arrival
 with Messrs. Olyphant & Co. your favor of June 1st & rec^d for
 steamer yesterday yours of July 3rd in which you say
 that you had been looking but had not rec^d one from
 me, for that steamer. I can hardly account for
 same, inasmuch as I wrote you on the 17th June, & mailed
 the letter myself, giving you full particulars of the
 yacht. I experienced, upon the fourth day out, & its conse-
 quence upon ship & sails. I will here mention, in case
 the letter has not come to hand, that the account, you
 found in the paper is correct, having lost all my new
suit of heavy sails, decks swept &c. I bought some slack
 in S. F. & have made myself a new main course, on the
 passage over. Shall purchase canvas here, & make other
 sails, as they are needed. If material could be bought
 cheaply, I should have some of the work done on shore, but
 it is so very dear, that I feel it necessary to economize,
 & save a part of the expense. Consequently shall do the most
 of it on board. In all other respects, the ship is in
 good order, & can be kept so, for a considerable length

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of time, with but little expense. I am sorry to have
 to inform you that just at this present time, all
 descriptions of freighting business are almost all
 nothing in fact offering at all worthy of attention.
 Messrs. Poffland & Co. tell me, that they think in the course
 of a few weeks business will revive. I have received
 letters from Calcutta, Messrs. A. & S. who think that the fall
 business may be good, although matters there are rather
 dull just now. For San Francisco there are no
 charters at present, shippers merely filling up
 the vessels that come here under contract. There
 will probably be a demand for that market next month -
 In view, nothing at all offers. Under these existing
 circumstances, I can give you no definite idea of
 my intentions. In fact I have none, but shall be
 guided entirely by the changes & appearances of the market.
 I am not discharging very rapidly, but rather
 delaying all that I can, in the hope that something
 may offer to prove ballasting. I have disch-
 arged about half my crew, so as to be rid of that
 item of expense. I shall do my best to keep my bill low,
 as much as is consistent with the character
 of the ship. I still retain the same officers, who
 are well as is also young Penhallow. The bitwater
 has not yet arrived, although the steamer yesterday
 reports him having passed Pungo on the 24th inst.
 I look for him every moment. You may depend
 upon my rendering Capt. Dwight any & all

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assistance or advice he may need.
 Should you at any time send another of your ships
 over here via Honolulu, inform the Capt of the nature
 of freight shipped at the Islands, had I known, when in
 San Francisco, that the principal article of export was
 kumera which by the way, is as bulky as feathers & goes
 entirely by weight. I would have had my steam better
 economized & been able to take much more than I
 did. I brought here from the Islands, upwards of twenty
 c 17 1/2, giving me over twelve hundred dollars to do here
 which I trust will fully cover disbursements. It is
 not absolutely necessary for a ship to go inside, at
 Honolulu, the additional cost of same, being about
 two hundred dollars, but by ordering enough more
 freight can be obtained, to fully cover the expense.
 I got 40 c p. lb more by going inside. It is much
 better in point of safety to go inside.

Hoping to hear better news to give you per-
 mitted mail, & that this will find you all in the
 enjoyment of good health. I subscribe
 myself as ever Very Respectfully Yours
 Obedient servant

Geo H. Brock

Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the purchase of a new set of books for the library of the Society. I have the pleasure to inform you that the books have been ordered and will be delivered to you as soon as they are received. I have also the pleasure to inform you that the books have been ordered and will be delivered to you as soon as they are received. I have the pleasure to inform you that the books have been ordered and will be delivered to you as soon as they are received.

Hong Kong Sept 17 1863

Mr. Altham & Co

Calcutta

Ship Midnight

Mr. Olyphant & Co

I am much bothered for want of
Singles - The following matches
of wheat are at hand - I shall leave

two - T - T C - week for

also flour marked T W & Co -

Mr. Bosman & Co have not sent for their matches. Bosman & Co
as promised - An early

attention to this matter

will greatly oblige - yours

Respectfully

W. W. Brock

Hong Kong Sept 17 1863

Ship Midnight

My dear Sir
 I am
 much obliged for want of
 light - the following many
 of what are at hand -
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 now than our own TWC -
 Prof. Brown is at
 not sent for this matter
 as promised - the last
 attention to this matter
 will greatly oblige - yours
 Respectfully
 J. W. Black
 May 10th 1843

My dear Sir

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 My dear Sir
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Hong Kong Sept 17th 1863

Mr. Atkinson Tilton & Co

Calcutta

Gentlemen

Your several favors, advising me of the state of your market have been duly rec^d for which please accept my thanks. Business here is extremely dull. — Should nothing offer previously. I shall leave this port, about the last of next week, for Singapore & a market. Will you kindly favor me with further advising, to meet me at that port, directed to care of "Boorne & Co Limited" — Same shall be duly appreciated —

Hoping this will find you all well

I remain Gentlemen yours Truly

Geo H Brock
Ship "Midnight"

Hong Kong 17th Sept-1863

Mr. Thomas Dickson & Co

Colombo

Gentlemen

As you will perceive
here, the "Midnight" is once more on the track
after business. I shall leave here, in about ten
days hence, for Singapore & a market. — I think
very highly of local rice freights, particularly
between your port & the ports in the Bay of Bengal.

Can you do anything for me, that way?

Please address me at Singapore, care of the
"Borneo Co Limited" at your convenience.

Oblige Yours Very Respectfully

Geo. H. Brock

Ship "Midnight"

Geo. H. Brock

Ship "Midnight"

Former of the ship

of Boston

My dear Mr. [illegible]

My dear Mr. [illegible]

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My dear Mr. [illegible] I have just received your letter of the 14th inst. and am very glad to hear from you. I am well and hope this finds you the same. I have been thinking much of late about the state of the country and the prospects of the future. I am sure that the people are becoming more and more enlightened and that the time is not far distant when the principles of liberty and justice for all will be firmly established. I am, dear Mr. [illegible], very truly yours, [illegible]

Yours truly,
[illegible]

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Hong Kong Sept 26 1863

Hong Kong Sept 17 1863
 Messrs James Strickland & Co

Batavia

Gentlemen
 Mail of the 9th inst. advised me of your present position in
 pursuit of employment. I take the liberty
 of addressing you. I shall leave this port
 in about ten days hence for Singapore
 & a market. I think very highly of
 "Local Rice Freight" - Can you do anything
 in that way? or have you any other business,
 for a ship, of 1000 tons dead weight, or 1500 tons
 measurement capacity. A line to meet
 me at Singapore, care of "Borneo Limited"
 will be appreciated by your Obedient servant
 Geo H. Prock
 Am Ship "Midnight"
 former of ship Monday
 of Boston
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 Please allow me to give you my version of the
 ill treatment, & such which I must digress for
 a little upon the day of my arrival. I was
 met at the landing stage, by Mr. John & under
 with him to his office after my letter.

My dear Sir
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th inst.

and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 J. H. P. [Signature]

My dear Sir
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 J. H. P. [Signature]

Hong Kong Sept 26 1863

Henry Hastings Esq

Boston

My Dear Sir

I advised you per
 mail of the 9th inst. acknowledging receipt
 of your favor under date June 23rd July 3rd
 I rec^d per last mail, yours of July 21st
 in which you make a few remarks which rather
 nettled me, from the fact of their injustice.
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 nothing about Stereorese. Upon referring
 to my letter book I find a letter under date
 July 1st in which I made particular
 mention of the Stereorese employed & the
 reasons for employing same. You further
 remark that you are surprised at my treat-
 ment of your friend C.W. Brooks &c &c &c
 I am surprised, or rather I am indignant,
 that Mr Ladd should write anything to you,
 tending to mislead. For I feel well assured,
 had he written you the truth plainly, as it
 occurred, you would have had no surprise.
 Please allow me to give you my version of the
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out of your opinion. But I have no more
to say that you are business at my treatment
reasons for supplanting same. You find the
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July 1st in which I receive satisfaction
to my little book. I give a letter under date
writing about October 1st — after referring
to the first place for my, that I say
settles me from the fact of this reference —
in which you make a few remarks which rather
of your last mail. Yours of July 21st
of your favor under date June 23rd 1793
Mail of the 23rd — acknowledging receipt
I received your for

Mr L. returned down to the charger & I sat in his office, until I had mastered the contents of your letter, & then walked up to the office of Messrs C. W. Brooks & Co. Mr Ladd was out in, & the clerk told me, he was out of town, but would be back in a day or two - I then called upon several "Brokers" of my acquaintance in order to learn the market. Amongst others, I called upon Mr Headdy, the one who chartered me before, for Melbourne - He gave me a slight idea of the market, but would not make me a direct offer, wishing my terms first. - the day following Mr Lator took me round & introduced me to some other "brokers", leaving the onus of all the talking to be done by myself - we called together upon Mr Headdy, & I told him, that I was going to send you my different offers, but that if he would give me the equivalent of fifteen thousand dollars, for Australia I would give him the ship right off - which he declined - Now please mark the sequel - Upon Monday following, I met Mr Ladd, in his own office - during our conversation, I mentioned incidentally, that I was in hopes to get an Australia charter, & from his office sent you the telegram asking your lowest limits; He told me, that if I wanted to go that way

Mr. J. returned down to the chamber & sat
 in his office, until I had finished the letter
 of your letter, & then walked up to the office of
 Miss G. W. Brown & Co. Mr. Brown was out in the
 street but he was out of town but would
 be back in a day or two - I then called upon
 Messrs. "Baker & Co." & spent some time in
 room to learn the details of the "Baker & Co."
 I called upon Mr. Baker, the one who had
 we before for Mr. Brown - he gave me a
 slight view of the market, but was not
 there on a direct offer, nothing very
 light. The day following Mr. Baker
 we arrived & returned me to some other
 business, leaving the care of all the
 to be done myself - we called together
 upon Mr. Baker, & I then found that I
 was going to have some very different offers, but
 that if he were gone we the principal of
 Messrs. Brown & Co. for business
 gave him the right off - which he declined -
 Mr. Brown went the second - upon Monday
 following I went for Baker, in the evening
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 that he couldn't treat with me - having
 been informed by Mr Ladd, that they Messrs
 L & W. held documents from the owners of
 the "Midnight" giving them the entire control
 of all matters. You may believe I was mad
 at such an assertion - I disputed it
 in toto, & immediately called upon Mr Ladd,
 & requested him, in as polite language, as I
 understood, to either discontinue such
 proceedings, or show me his authority for so
 doing. He made the acknowledgment to me
 that his authority was purely of an advisory
 nature, & at the same time asked me
 why I didn't come & advise with him. I then
 said to him, that thus far my relations with
 Mr Lolor had been very pleasant, & he had
 done all for me I needed, but should I need
 his assistance I would certainly call.
 I was in to his office, almost every day -
 afterwards, & every thing always seemed pleasant.
 This account my dear Mr, I assure you, is
 strictly true - & furthermore I am prepared
 to prove it. I am grieved that you will
 believe any such reports. I thought that our -

I have in the office, almost every day -
 a young thing, always seems pleasant,
 his account of his life, I assure you is
 most true - & furthermore I am prepared
 to prove it. I am positive that you will
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 subject. — I can assure you that my whole
 thought both at sea & in port, is to do
 at all times, & in every way practicable, that
 which will best advance the interests of the
 ship. — I have waited here, until there
 seems to be no kind of prospect of business,
 consequently have made up my mind, to run
 down to Singapore, & at that place, shall
 be guided by circumstances. — I have
 written to our friends in Calcutta, Batavia,
 & Colombo, requesting each of them, to
 advise me at Singapore, of their respective
 markets. — This is the day, that I had been
 calculating upon sailing, but the weather
 has been so stormy the last week, that it
 has been impossible, to get ballast, & I
 now require two hundred tons — only having
 one hundred on board. I also have some
 little more cargo, to get clear of. — The
 "Cutwater" arrived last Sunday. — I have not
 seen much of Capt Dwight, the weather having
 been quite unfavorable for visiting. —
 Our ship is looking finely & showing that

your ship is looking fine & strong that
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 Your Agents here, Messrs. Ofphant & Co. are
 prompt & gentlemanly - They have worked well
 for me - I mean before! had such hard
 work, to get rid of cargo - the Europeans are
 mostly natives - & as usual with such folks
 are very backward in their business arrangement.
 I could hardly get along without help -

The few wants you expressed in your letter shall
 have my attention. I am of the opinion
 of some what you write that you could not have
 rec^d all my letters - from San Francisco, if you
 will just mention in your answer to this, the
 dates of those rec^d. I will send you copies
 from my letter book, of those you have not had -
 Please direct all your letters to Calcutta, &
 I will arrange with Messrs. A. J. & Co. for them all
 to find me - be the ship wherever the May. I wish
 my credit was for £3000 instead of one! I would
 go into the Rice trade, for the Ceylon market
 & make business for the ship at once. It is not
 a hard gale & doubtful whether the Mail Steamship will
 get away to day - Hoping this will find you all
 well I remain your Obedient Servant

Yours H. Brock
 P.S. - Final accounts for next mail
 Please forward the enclosed &
 oblige - W. B. Brock

C. P. Lolor Esq
San Francisco

Hong Kong 4th Oct. 1863

My Sir

I drop you
a line, for Barb; that you may have
an idea of my doings - As I advised
you for Barb - I made the shortest run
over here, that has been made this season.
Business here is flat, & I am satisfied
that if I had gone to Australia - with
even long lay days - I would done better,
than to come here. I am now ready for
sea, & will sail to-morrow P.M. for
Bangkok - seeking. The last accounts
are rather favorable for that Port. I am
in hopes, if I can get a nice Charter, that
after it is concluded - I shall be able to
get a freight for San Francisco - so as
to be ready for you to load me next spring
for Boston. No doubt by that time you
will want a good ship like the "Midnight".
Hoping this will find you well, I remain
very Respectfully Yours

Geo. H. Brock

Dr. Philip "Midnight" in ye with Geo. H. Borch

My dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the purchase of a new book for the library of the American Bible Society. I am very glad to hear that you are desirous of adding to the collection, and I am sure that the book you have selected will be of great value. I have the pleasure to inform you that the book is now on hand, and I have the honor to enclose herewith a bill for the same. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours,
 Geo. H. Borch

by Ship "Midnight" in 9c with Geo H. Brock & Co

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" " Comular Bill 21.31

" " Bill of Eggs & chickens 8.50

" " Repair on stem 15.

" " Personal 9c 20.92

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Oct 5 1863 By Amount

of freight collected by

Whip. Olyphant & Co. - 9c

their bill of lading & other

charges \$1350.38

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Geo H Brock

Hong Kong 5th Oct 1863

Handwritten signature

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J. J. J. J. J.

Handwritten text in a cursive script, likely a list or account, written on aged paper. The text is oriented vertically and appears to be a list of items or names, possibly related to the 'List of the names of the persons who were present at the meeting of the Council of the City of London, 1660' mentioned in the caption. The handwriting is dense and difficult to decipher.

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Hong Kong Oct^r 1st 1863

Henry Hastings Esq

Boston

My Dear Sir

I advised you last on the 26th inst informing you, that I had made up my mind, to run the ship down the sea, touching at Singapore &c. Subsequently, Messrs. Olphent & Co. have received advices from their agents at Bangkok, which seem sufficiently favorable to warrant our going in to that port first. — I am now clearing house & if we get clear to night, I shall be off early in the morning. Herewith I hand you a fair copy, of my accounts. You will observe that my funds in hand, just cover my disbursements. I have tried to keep some, as small as I could, consistently. — I have bought the material to make me a new lower topsail, & shall make same, on board. This with what I bought in S. F. replaces two of our lost sails. Canvas is dear, so I must sink all the expense of making. Fearing that my Honolulu accounts, might share the fate of some of my S. F. letters — I herewith give you a copy of same — which completes all my —

a copy of same - which complete at my -
 name of the 1st letter - I herewith give you
 my handwritten account, might show the facts of
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 over my observations I have tried to keep
 will observe that my journal is almost just
 I have seen a good copy of the account - you
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 has been of my voice, to see the ship
 got in the 2d part informing you, that I
 I believe you

My dear Sir

James Hamilton Esq

Long Wharf Oct 14 1833

Accounts since leaving Boston. The letter which
 arrived the Honolulu. I will not trouble to
 copy - it being of no kind of consequence -
 My Vouchers - Honolulu & Hong Kong - I shall Ret-
 I have duplicates however of all my accounts
 here, with Messrs. Olyphant & Co. so that you may
 know where to find them, in case of accident.
 From the time of accounts rec^d I am greatly
 encouraged with regard to my present move-
 ment. I have advised Capt. Dwight, in
 case, he cannot get a charter, to pay him,
 here, to follow in my track. - I have not
 made many purchases as yet for you for two
 reasons - viz. I think I shall come back here
 again, & I am out of cash. - Please
 continue sending letters to Calcutta, until
 you hear further from me - Your Agents
 Messrs. Olyphant & Co. I like much - they
 have done well, & for me - & have more
 than earned their small Com - The gross
 amount of freight here was \$1423. Their Com & some
 other little expenses amounted to \$72.81 - leaving
 a balance of nineteen cents, in their hands.
 I enclose herewith a letter for Penhallur - please
 forward - Hoping this will find you all
 well, I remain Respectfully your Obedient Servant

Geo. H. Brock

[illegible]

Ship "Midnight" & Co
Messrs Elephant & Co
Hong Kong

In the event
of the case at law, now pending between
myself as Master of the "Midnight" & Co. with
-for an alleged short delivery of cargo- going
against the ship, I have to request of
You, that you will pay all expenses accruing
to change same, in your favour against ship
"Midnight" & Co. By so doing you will
greatly Oblige your Obedient servant

Hong Kong Roads

Oct 5th 1863

Wm. L. Brock

I can only give you these observations - shall
probably give you another report either from here or
Singapore your next mail.

I remain Respectfully
your Obedient servant

Wm. L. Brock

P.S. To inform that I am
writing with a lamp in

My dear Sir
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the matter of the ship "The ..."

In the event of the case of law, my printing between myself as master of the ship "The ..." for an alleged short delivery of cargo - saying against the ship's I have the request of you that you will pay our expenses accordingly. I enclose herewith, in case of against ship's ...

Very respectfully,
 J. W. ...

J. W. ...

Very truly,
 J. W. ...

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Henry Hastings Esq
 Boston
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My dear Sir - I hereby announce to you, my safe arrival at this port yesterday the 20th inst - all well. The mail which arrived here from Singapore a few days since, reports that Confederate steamers have passed through the Straits of India & are now already in this sea - thereby making it entirely impossible to obtain employment under the American flag. Quite a number of vessels lately have changed to the Union flag, & by so doing have procured good freight. I have given out word, that I will do the same if by so doing, I can get a freight - Shall know in a day or two whether I have got to do so, or not. If nothing offers me, here, worthy of notice - I shall proceed on down the sea, touching at Singapore - I expect at that place, to hear from the rest of India. As the mail closes in a few minutes, I can only give you these scant items - shall probably give you another report - either from here or Singapore yet next mail.

I remain Respectfully
 Your Obedient Servant

G. H. Brock-

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Boston

I have a report
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Sunday night the 8th inst. - finding it entirely
out of all question - that business could not
be procured for an American ship at
Bangkok - I left there on Monday the 21st inst.
Chances for employment are no better here -
Consequently I leave here to night for Calcutta -
Messrs A & C Co met me here with advice, in
which they say - that they think business may
be had at that port - Could I have placed
the ship under the English or any other
responsible flag - I might have obtained
business here & at Bangkok - but without
a full power of attorney from you I could do
nothing of the kind. If you think it best
to provide against this trouble by sending me
a power to act - please do so - I care not what flag
I sail under - so that I obtain business there -
 Hoping to have better news to report from
Calcutta - I remain Respectfully

Your Obedient Servant

G. H. Brock-

My dear Mother
Boston 2^d Feb

I have just received your letter of the 21st inst. and am
glad to hear that you are well. I am well at present.
I have been thinking much of late of the many
changes that are going on in the world, and how
soon all things will be changed. I feel that I
must be prepared for anything that may come.
I have been reading much of the Bible, and
am convinced that it is the only source of
true wisdom and comfort. I have also been
thinking much of the many good people who
are dying every day, and how soon we may
be called to follow them. I feel that I must
be ready to meet my God at any moment.
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Singapore Nov 11 1863

Calcutta Dec 1 1863

My dear Sir,

I have the pleasure to inform you that
I have given the 'Borneo' Co. a bill upon you
for the amount of £1000 & for the interest
which you will please to pay to the
Borneo Co. of this Midnight
I am doing you with great
Oblige Yours Obdiently

G. H. Brock

I am sorry to hear that you
will forward to the Borneo Co. of London
the £1000 & the interest upon it, as you
are to do with you and it is difficult to
nearly £1000 for a day's work, in our case
it is not. I am quite anxious to know that it
has gone. I am with you and I am
little. Mr. Jones is engaged for the
new Borneo Co. and will probably be at your
office at some time. Hoping this will be well
I remain Yours Truly

Mr. O.phant & Co.

Hong Kong

Calcutta Dec^r 9th 1863

As you will perceive
 the "Midnight" has at last reached
 this port. I staid at Bandelk. a week
 but finding it impossible to obtain a freight
 there, I rode down to Singapore. but with no better
 success. American ships being rather below
 par. We stand a trifle better in this place,
 but a trifle. I am hoping to get a charter
 for home. but as yet, it remains uncertain.
 I rec^d at Singapore, the letters you did
 me the favor to forward. Many thanks for
 same. I have now to request that you
 will forward to this port case of Lickson
 Sillim & Co. whatever letters or packages, may arrive,
 or be with you now. I suppose it is about or
 nearly time for a decision, in our case
 at law. I am quite anxious to know how it
 has gone. Herewith enclosed I return a
 letter. Mr. Spence is engaged as partner of the
 new steamer "Fokien" - will probably call at your
 office for same. Hoping this will find you all well
 I remain Yours Truly - Geo. H. Brock

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Henry Hastings Esq. & Co. *Calcutta 9 Dec 1863.*
Boston Esq. & Co. *Calcutta 9 Dec 1863.*
My Dear Sir -

You probably heard
through Messrs. Atkinson & Co. per last week's
mail, that the "Midnight" was in the River bound
up - I arrived at the Sandheads on the
28th inst. & rec^d a pilot on that same day -
but unfortunately he proved to be a poor
miserable thing, hardly worthy to be called a pilot.
After having been twice in 93 ft 6 inches of water,
— our draft being 14.6 — I refused to let him
take the ship any farther, anchored her at
Mud Point & telegraphed up to Messrs. A & Co. asking
them to send me another Pilot - which they did -
The new one got down on board at 3 PM on
Saturday & the following day - Sunday at 1 PM -
I got up to garden reach all right. The ship
is in good order for any kind of a voyage -
but I am sorry to say that business prospects
are rather dull. Nothing being offered for
Country trade - I am in expectation of
getting a load homeward - Messrs. A & Co. have
now about five hundred tons - & as soon as they
can secure surely three hundred more - I
shall allow them to lay the ship on - but I

do not feel willing to lay on unless I can see
at least half a cargo. There is no ship
in Calcutta that can outshine the Midnight
therefore if we do lay on I presume we will
get a full load. I rec^d a telegram at
Mud Point offering me \$20. for New York - which
I accepted, contingent upon its being cargo-
worthy with I could load full. The next day
I rec^d another message informing me
that the charter was withdrawn. - The ship
is still anchored in the "Reach" - but shall
drop up into the murrings to-morrow.

Except a couple of my sailors - we are
all well.

Hoping this will find
you all enjoying the same blessing &
that another mail will contain more
favorable news. I remain Respectfully
Yrs &c - Your Obedient servant

Geo H. Brock

do not feel obliged to pay an analysis of them as
at least half a cargo. There is no ship
in Calcutta that can undertake the business
therefore if we do by in 1830 we will
get a fine loss. There is a telegram at
this point offering in 1830 for 1000 tons which
I accepted. But the cargo is being
with me I can't see that. The first day
I saw another cargo performing well
that the charter was withdrawn. - The ship
is still anchored in the "Red" but has
dropped up into the morning to morning.
I left a couple of my letters - we
are all well.

Respecting the bill for
I am all righting the same the bill
that another bill will contain more
for me. I remain respectful
Yours truly
J. M. Brown

Calcutta 22nd Dec 1863

Henry Hastings Esq
Boston
My dear Sir

I advise you on the point of my arrival at this port all well &c. I have now to report that business remains dull - in fact it seems to be getting worse daily. Money is so tight & exchange so exorbitantly high, that parties holding orders can not fill them on that account. In country local trade there is nothing offering for Americans worth notice. At the present time the "Midnight" is the only fast clip ship available; therefore I feel quite sure, that whenever a reaction does take place, our chances are good. I am now scraping & smoothing the outside of the ship, & think of painting some lead color. I have also got my Mizen Mast stripped & am overhauling the rigging. I find some in pretty good condition considering the length of time it has been in use, all except the topmast stay that I have got to replace. I am sure to see that my whole crew remains attached to the ship. I give them every

I have been in your office
 since the night of the 1st of
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facility & am hoping, that some of them
 will leave, wages unfortunately so much lower
 here than they are elsewhere, & hundreds of seamen
 on shore, destitute & begging opportunities for
 shipment. Last Monday I had a call
 from Mr Sampson, late Chief Officer of the
 "Bay Hastings". He is attached to the Steam
 tug "Sampson" in the employ of "Watson & Co."
 is senior mate, & anticipates soon being
 in command. He complains bitterly of not
 having received a single letter from his friends,
 since his arrival here in the H.M. He told
 me that he had no idea at present of going
 home, inasmuch as his prospects seem
 better to remain here. I have mentioned
 this, from the fact of noticing, in one of your
 letters to Miss A. T. that you make inquiries
 on the subject. I mentioned in my letter
 of the 22nd from Singapore, that if I had the
 power of changing our flag, I could do
 much better inasmuch as the nationality is
 the great objection. I am still of the same
 mind.

Hoping this will find

You all well, & remain as ever

Respectfully your Obedient servant

G. H. Brock

I am happy to hear of your
well being, & hope you are much
better than the one we saw
in the hospital. I have a letter
from Mr. Thompson. The Chief Officer of the
Army Hospital, he is attached to the Army
Hospital, in the camp of Walter &c.
I have been told by some of our friends
that you are now at the U.S. Army
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Yours truly,
J. H. Thompson

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Calcutta Sunday morning 8/1/64
Henry Hastings Esq

22nd Decr - on that same day after closing my letter,
we had an offer for a country voyage but came to nothing
defined until the 29th with - on that day we chartered for
Cochin & Telicherry - two small ports - upon the Malabar coast,
for which we get one rupee nine annas per bag - one half
of which is payable here & the balance at the ports of discharge.
We were offered at that same time one lot of freight
for Boston at \$100. Grounds - about one third of a cargo -
but I deem this charter which I have accepted as
much better - particularly as exchange is so largely
in our favor - for & nothing & so much against for
drawing for disbursements. The proportion which I will
have to receive here, will more than cover all my
expenses & leave a small balance to send you finally.
We have not yet commenced loading, & the charterers
have twenty seven days after this day, to perform their
in - with large demurrage in the event of default.

The ship is in good order & stands very high here amongst the Native shippers & without doubt. Could the flag-boat of the 'Alabama' be removed, we might expect to do a good business here for a few months. At this present time there are but few Americans.

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Ships in these waters. The last steamer up from
Singapore reports the "Centurion" just arrived there...
& the Matheson just left upon the same day, rather
too near. I long for Capt. Dight up here before
I get away. Hope he will run clear.

I notice that my credit expires upon the 11th of May.
I am sorry to have to inform you that young
Penhallam has left me. I am sorry to lose him,
although if he was going to continue as outrageous
as of late, he had better leave. We have had no
settlement - his account upon my book reads -
Advance on Boston \$30. received during the voyage in
aid \$61.25. making a total rec^d of ninety-one ^{plus} dollars -
His wages at the time of sailing were \$14. which I told
him would be for the whole time if he left here. Wages
were \$20 when I left San Francisco. You have never
mentioned to me whether you were paying his foster
half pay, or not. Should there be a balance now
due him, it is his desire that you will hand the
same to his foster. Please mention to me whether
you settle with him or not. If you have already given
him half pay - there is nothing due - at the original rate
of wages. Herewith I enclose a letter for one of my
crew, will you please drop it at the P.O.

Trusting these matters will prove acceptable & this
will find you all well. I remain as ever -

Respectfully, Your Obedient servant
Geo. H. Brock

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Calcutta Aug 10 1814

My dear friend
Henry King

News of the result
came duly to hand, by which you inform me of
the adverse decision of the Judge in the case
at Law, left pending by myself in your case.
I must acknowledge my surprise at his decision,
& can hardly comprehend upon what grounds he
could make the award as he has. I am of course
greatly disappointed. Hereafter I enclose you
the first of a set of bills, drawn by ^{Francis Stearns Esq} Comptroller of the
de Paris, at sixty days sight, which you
will please collect & place to credit of Ship
Midnight. As soon as you receive your final
bill remit me the balance. I am now
loading the Midnight with rice for Cochim & Tellicherry
& shall return thence to this port. Will you kindly
send me to this place care of Messrs A T & Co all the
bills of Lading & Mate's receipts pertaining to the
Cargo I brought to H. R. from Pondicherry. In Copy
Copies I mean, also all other letters you may have
to hand. You are now at liberty to inform the
of my case & I shall thank you for doing so.
With many thanks to you for the trouble
I remain your friend
J. G. G. G.

[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side. The text appears to be a letter or a series of notes.]

Calcutta Jan 24/44

N. P. Jacobs Esq

Home Genl of U.S. of America

Sir

I have to

advise you respect the following named crew
of the Mad. Seaman, as deserters from
the ship. My ship. St. Catharines -
representing of Henry Wilson - George Ford -
Henry Walker - making upon
first that have left the ship, to
do business at Calcutta. I have heard it before
that the other men to do the work
of the ship, I am all ready to help
you would be glad to receive the ship
back in the back again if desired.

Respectfully Yours

Geo H. Brock

Slip Midnight
of Boston

W. C. Davis
1847

I have been thinking of you very much lately and wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are well and happy. I have been very busy lately but I have managed to find some time to write to you. I have been thinking of you very much lately and wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are well and happy. I have been very busy lately but I have managed to find some time to write to you.

Yours truly
W. C. Davis

Calcutta Jan 2. 1864

My dear Mr. Hastings
 I received your letter of the 21st inst. & was
 glad to hear from you. I advised you last
 on the 6th inst. since which we have not progressed
 very rapidly with our loading. I have got rid
 of all my ballast (except yesterday) & have on board
 about four hundred tons of rice. Since the last
 advice received here, respecting the operations
 of the Atabunna, many of the small shippers to whom
 the charters had been let, small orders have
 refused to fill them as the officers here have
 largely increased their rates & insurance upon
 American risks, making it rather unprofitable to
 do business with our ships. I have no doubt but
 what the charterers would have attempted to back
 out, but we have nearly enough rice on board to fill
 the amount of the charter. We have only ten days
 left in which to complete the cargo with demurrage
 at two hundred off per cent per day. I have now done
 alongside & the promise of more to day. I presume we
 will manage to get us about loaded by the time allowed.
 I have here to make a report, respecting our China
 business, which will without doubt make you
 feel almost as unpleasantly as it has me a few
 days prior to sailing from Hong Kong, a suit at
 law was brought against the ship for short delivery

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of charges the bill being large & in my mind entirely unjust.
 I refused to pay it. at the time of bringing it Mr.
 Hitchcock the manager of Oliphant & Co. at that time thought
 that perhaps if I was a little stiff in the matter, the
 other party would doubtless be willing to effect a
 settlement upon terms more just without having
 recourse to law. They did not however & brought the
 case before a judge. After taking evidence in the
 case it was found impossible to close it, so that
 they could hear from some one connected with it
 who was at Fort Chis. Consequently I was obliged
 to leave it in care of Messrs Oliphant & Co. We all
 felt so sure & certain of a decision favorable
 to Mr. H. that it did not seem at all necessary
 to inform you of the matter, hence my silence.
 I received a letter a few days since from Messrs.
 Oliphant & Co. under date Nov 30 - informing me
 of an adverse decision, & forwarding me the bill
 & papers relating to same. Although they had made
 a great reduction in the amount of the original
 bill, nevertheless the costs have swelled it up to a
 fearful amount. The bill forwarded to me amounts
 to some fifteen hundred & I have informed of another
 to come, which had not been handed in, of about
 perhaps five hundred & more making an aggregate
 of about two thousand dollars. I remitted them
 for last month's fifteen hundred dollars & shall
 send the balance when I get the bill. This will

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present my having a surplus of funds to send you,
 as I mentioned would probably be the case, in my last
 letter. My expenses are somewhat heavy here this
 time, being obliged to procure provisions - bread flour
 &c - although I have been able to buy meat much
 cheaper than we could in Boston. I feel
 badly about this matter I refer to. I have been
 trying my very utmost to keep my bill down,
 taking steps with that object in view, which no
 other ship master in port would take, & thinking
 I was going to be enabled to make quite a large
 remittance to you from a small amount of money
 to be received here - when this thing comes entirely
 unexpected, taking all my surplus funds & almost
 discourages me. As the papers relating thereto are
 quite bulky, I will not send them to you for mail,
 but will keep them until I come home myself.

Please depend on your judgement until I can
 explain the whole matter to you, which I can
 only do properly in an oral manner.

I have but little more to say now. I shall
 do my best to expedite matters, with a due
 regard to economy. Hoping this will find
 you all well I remain, Sir, Respectfully,
 Your Obedient servant

G. H. Brock

...of having a surplus of funds to send you.
as I mentioned more fully to the case in my last
letter. My expenses are somewhat heavy for the
time being obliged to purchase provisions - travelling
- although I have been able to do much more
cheaper than in London in Boston. I have been
very short this week I suppose. I have been
trying my very utmost to keep my little chamber
looking tidy with that object in view, which has
often cost me more in first week's tax, & otherwise.
I was going to be enabled to send you a large
contribution to you from a small amount of money
to be received here - when this thing came, & I was
necessitated, taking all my surplus funds & selling
down my stock. As the paper relating thereto is
quite full, I will not send them to you for now,
but will keep them until I have done myself.
I have supposed your judgment must be
affair in the other matter to you, which I can
only express in an oral manner.
I have not been more to day than - that
as my best & expensive matter, with a due
regard to economy. Hoping this will give
you all our affection for, & respect for
your obedient servant

Wm. Lloyd Garrison

Calcutta 1st Feb 1844

My dear Mr. Garrison

He has up today 1000 lbs weight
with you to send me, on the same

Calcutta 2nd Feb 1864

My dear Mr. Phipps

I have the honor

to receive from you

a letter of the 11th inst.

in which you state that you are

in possession of a copy of the

report of the Committee on the

subject of the proposed

amendment to the

constitution of the

Association of the

British and Foreign

Antiquarian Society.

I have the honor to

acknowledge the receipt

of your letter of the

11th inst. and to thank

you for the information

which it contains.

I am sorry to hear

that you are unable

to attend the meeting

of the Association on

the 11th inst. but I

trust that you will

be able to do so on

Thursday. You can therefore imagine
 my surprise at the receipt of the letter.
 I had half expected it, because the
 whole thing is one of great importance
 in my opinion. I regret that I
 have before that is determined.
 According to custom, every person
 of standing belonging to the Association
 is entitled to have a share in the
 election of the officers. I do not mean
 to reflect on the least degree upon your action
 with regard to the case. I do not think
 you did as that you could do better.
 But I feel myself at liberty to
 state my opinion. I think you must have
 allowed yourself to be misled greatly
 in favor of the party who have the
 advantage of being on the spot at
 the time. I may be in error but I
 can hardly help feeling thus at present.
 The risk of losing the meeting is
 with you to send me, or to those whom

in Honolulu - which I left at
 your office. I am now ready for
 sea & will start this P.M. -
 Anticipating being back here again
 in a short time - As soon as I
 rec^d - you will go - will attend to
 Please send whatever comes for
 the "Midnight" - here in care of A.S. & Co
 With many thanks for past courtesy
 I remain Gentl^y Yours

J. H. Brock
 Ship "Midnight"

in the morning - about 10 o'clock
 your office. I am sure you will
 be a great help to me -
 Anticipating that you will be
 in a short time - at home as I
 am - your friend & wife
 Give me your address and I will
 the morning - I am in one of the
 with many things for your
 I remain your friend

Yours truly
 J. M. McKim

Wm. H. Mudgett & Co. in Debit to H. M. Mudgett Co.
 \$1000.00 Cash paid Office and A. 1158.10 Feb 13 Cash received

1. Market account	294.2	at Mudgett's house Jan	
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Patented February 3rd 1864

Wm. H. Mudgett

Calcutta Feb 2nd 1864
 Henry Hastings Esq
 Boston

My dear Sir - I hereby advise you
 of the final completion of our cargo - & readiness
 for sea - Pilot on board & steamer along side -
 I advise you per mail of 20th Jan. of having
 some money to remit to Miss Olyphant & Co. therefore
 you will not be surprised at the fact of my not
 having a surplus of money here - My cash in hand
 just covers my expenses - I have yet to receive
 at the other ports - 11,614.1 - Eleven thousand six
 hundred & fourteen rupees one anna - I shall send
 you all of it that I can - Herewith I send
 you my own &c Current of disbursements - Thereby
 I retain - but leave with Miss A D C Copies - so that
 in case of accidents you may know where to look.
 You will observe large advances paid crew & officers -
 I have deemed it best to get clear of all my
 old crew - who were getting high wages - I have
 paid off all but two or three - & they would not go -
 My new crew are cheaper. I have requested
 Miss A D C to forward you a copy of our &c with
 them - you will observe that I had to procure meat
 etc - but I have bought much cheaper than we
 could at home - Eight rupees per Blk for Beef & 20 Rs -

I have been thinking of you very much lately -
 and wondering how you are getting on -
 I hope you are well and happy -
 I have been very busy lately -
 but I have managed to find some time
 to write you a few lines -
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for the for book - I have also had time to procure -
 but I can assure you that I have not bought an
 article that I could get along without - I shall
 use my greatest exertions at the other ports - to
 keep my bills small - I mentioned in one of my
 other letters that I shall soon need a new
 credit - please provide for that contingency

Please excuse my brevity - I have been very
 hard at work since daylight & am nearly worn up
 Trusting to be able soon to give you further
 advice from Cochran

I also send you a *Journal* for - Respectfully
 your Obedient servant

Yours truly
 Geo. H. Brock

I remain your
 Obedient servant

Geo. H. Brock
 Prior-Hyde, Feb 11/41

Prof Atkinson Gilton & Co
Calcutta {

Gents -

We are just about to
get under weigh - all right - I enclose
you fifty Rupees - which I have now
please pass it to credit of the "Midnight"

I also send you some copies of Vouchers - which
you will please keep subject to the paper orders.

Will you kindly favor me by sending a
copy of our disbursement account - for next
month - to Mr Hastings - Corrected -

I remain Gentlemen Respectfully Yours

J. H. Borell

Poor Hoyle - Feb 1864 -

Off Ganges 24th July 1844

Wm. A. V. & Co.

Calcutta

Gentlemen

I enclose in reaching this post
in safety, & as anticipated getting out
this evening. When we came to town
our lamps on the first night after
starting. I found that I had no oil
on board that would serve - fortunately
the Capt of the Toy Ratter comes to spare
me a little - he filled me a few gallons
of cream & just thirty mins & 1/2
order for same upon you which
you will greatly oblige me by forwarding.
Remembrance I have you another
lot of Vouchers to be kept with the
first lot. I sent you a day or two since,
also two letters - one I wish sent for

might make the other I was like
to have sent to him - however in per-
son I left it to him - I do not know
whether Mr. Hastings of the post office
of the Widow - I do not know that
all is well on board & that he is

I remain yours
J. W. A. V. & Co.

I enclose at your
order but the
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year has for
the amount of time

I have been thinking of you
 very much lately and wondering
 how you are getting on. I hope
 you are well and happy. I
 am well at present and hope
 to hear from you soon. I
 am your affectionate friend
 John Smith

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 John Smith

Sand Heads Feb 5 1844

L. S. Durrum Esq
 Phoenix Mills
 Calcutta

Sir

I called at your office on Tuesday afternoon - last but too late - your office being closed. Consequently I am obliged to leave your bill for grinding my wheat into flour - unpaid. Not knowing the amount of same. Otherwise I would send you an order for the amount. I will mention however, that I anticipate being back to Calcutta again soon when I will make it my first business to call & settle the same.

I remain Respectfully Yours

Geo. H. Brock
 Ship "Midnight"

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Yours affectionately

I am in deepest sympathy
to Carl & better the same
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*John H. [unclear]
H. J. [unclear]*

Cochin March 14 1864
 Henry Hastings Esq
 Boston
 My Dear Sir -

You will probably have heard before you rec'd this - through Messrs Atkinson Tilton & Co of the safe arrival at this port the 5th inst of the "Midnight" - all right - I telegraphed to them on Monday the 7th inst requesting them to inform you of same arrival. Discharging cargo I find to be slow work at Cochin. In the first place the ship is obliged to anchor a long distance off & unless the boats get off during the early portion of the day before the sea breeze gets to blowing they will not come off at all. At present there is quite a large number of ships requiring boats & unfortunately but a few boats comparatively in the place; the consequence is as might be expected great delay for all. I have got rid of nearly half the Cochin lot & anticipate finishing it as to get off the last of this week. Bellisham is about one hundred & fifty miles further up the coast & as near as I can learn, it possesses the same characteristics for expediting ship work. I shall do the best I can, & shall the "Midnight" pack again for Calcutta, as soon as may be possible -

I have been thinking of you very much lately
 and wondering how you are getting on.
 I hope you are well and happy.
 I have been very busy lately
 but I have managed to find some time
 to write you a few lines.
 I have been thinking of you very much lately
 and wondering how you are getting on.
 I hope you are well and happy.
 I have been very busy lately
 but I have managed to find some time
 to write you a few lines.

I am in a quandary to know just which
 course will be the best for me to pursue, with my freight
 money! The most of which I am to collect at Belichang -
 unfortunately there is no regular bank in either of
 these ports. The Bank of Madras has an agency here
 & one also at Belichang - about thirty miles from Belichang -
 but neither of them are empowered to issue drafts
 without first communicating with the bank at Madras -
 making a delay of about a week, which I hardly wish
 to lose - Were it not for the risk of meeting the Alabamas
 the quickest & probably best way for me would be to drop
 an anchor in passing Colombo & take my freight on
 there to one of the banks there - by which I would not
 lose an hour or two. It doesn't often happen, that we
 don't know what to do with our cash. I suppose I had
 better lose a week than take the risk of losing all my
 freight money. I have not heard from Calcutta
 since my arrival here, therefore conclude that they
 have nothing very good to offer. The merchants here
 this way will have nothing whatever to do with
 American ship, therefore Calcutta seems to be the
 port left open for me. & I shall get there as quickly
 as possible. I enclose herewith a letter for my wife
 with you please forward it. Hoping this will find
 you all well I remain my dear friend
 Yours obedient servant
 Geo. H. Brock

I am so glad to hear from you
and hope you are well.
I have been thinking of writing
to you for some time but have
been so busy that I could not find
time. I hope you are all well
and happy.

Your affectionate father,
John H. Brown

Cochin April 16 4/64
 Messrs Brown Shipley & Co
 Liverpool
 Gentlemen

I have this day deposited with the Cochin branch of the Bank of Madras - 10350 - Ten Thousand three hundred & fifty Rupees. For this amount, the Parent Bank at Madras, per next mail, will remit you the first of a set of bills drawn by them upon the Bank of England, at four months date - which you will please place to the credit of Henry Hastings Esq - of Boston, with advice to him upon receipt.

Respectfully Yours

Geo H Brock
 Master of Ship "Midnight"
 of Boston - Mass -
 United States

My Dear Sir
 I have the
 pleasure to
 acknowledge the
 receipt of your
 letter of the 10th
 inst. in relation
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May 1st 1864
 To the Hon. Secy of the Navy
 Washington
 Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th inst. in relation to the above named vessel, and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.
 Very respectfully,
 J. M. Smith
 Secy of the Navy

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I enclose the first of a set of bills drawn by
 this bank upon the Cochin 16 April 1864
 Henry Hastings Esq. (the principal person connected
 with the Boston branch) the second of the
 set to be sent to Mr. J. J. -

I am happy to
 say that I have concluded all my business on
 this coast. I will sail in about a fortnight for
 Rangoon - at which place I am to load for
 Boston - just as I was on the point of sailing
 from Tellicherry, I rec'd a telegram from Calcutta
 offering me £20,000 from Rangoon to Boston - which I
 have deemed it best to accept. At the time of
 my chartering in Calcutta - the native merchants
 there assured me, that I would find a plenty
 of freight in these ports, but unfortunately every
 body is afraid of the Alabama - consequently
 could get nothing. Consequently I do as we had thought.
 I would have loaded back for Calcutta & remained
 a while longer upon these waters - but this casting
 of ballast all over creation is not very profitable.
 Had we any other flag than the American, I could
 load the ship for Calcutta - & make from ten to
 fifteen thousand Rupees by the operation.

I have this day deposited, with the Cochin branch
 of the Bank of Madras, 10,350 - Ten Thousand three
 hundred & fifty Rupees. Per next mail, the
 Parent Bank - will remit to Messrs. Messrs. Messrs. & Co. -

My dear Sir,
 I am happy to
 say that I have been chosen as my business as
 this great & fine land in what is called the
 Province of what place I am to live for
 Boston - just as I was on the point of sailing
 from the island, I was a letter from your father
 offering me £250. from London to Boston - which I
 have deemed it best to accept. At the time of
 my starting in Calcutta - the native merchants
 were opposed to me, that I would find a plenty
 of freight in these parts, but unfortunately every
 body is afraid of the plague - consequence
 of the pestilence. Since I am as well as
 I would have been best for Calcutta & Bombay
 a ship larger than these boats - but this country
 of Calcutta all over creation is not very profitable
 there are very other places than the American, I have
 been the ship for Calcutta - & made from time to
 fifteen thousand pounds of the operation.
 I have this day deposited with the Cashier of
 the Bank of England - £1000 - in London & the
 same & will remain in the Bank of England &c -

Singapore the first of a set of bills drawn by
that bank upon the Bank of England at four
months date - same to be placed to your credit -
with advice &c. I have ordered the second of the
set to be sent to me at Rangoon.

Herewith please find my ¹/₂ of Disbursements
since leaving Calcutta - the vouchers I retain on
board - Though some misunderstanding myself & St Co
have not forwarded me my letters - so that it makes
the time very long since I last had the pleasure
of hearing from you. Hope to find all at Rangoon.
The 'Midnight' is in good order & every thing
all right.

Hoping that this will find you all well,
& trusting also that it may meet your
approbation I remain very Sir - Respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
Geo H. Brock

Leaving the first of a set of all chambers
that have upon the Board of England at present
months date - some to the place to your credit
with advice &c. I have ordered the account of the
set to be sent to me at Bangor.
According to your fine copy of Disbursements
since leaving Calcutta - the working I return on
board - I think some misunderstanding may be of it
have not however as my letter - so that I have
the time very long since I last saw the papers
of leaving from you. The time is not long
of the Wilmington is in fact over & every thing
all right.
Hoping that this will find you all well
+ trusting also that it may meet your
Opportunities I remain very dear - Dear Sir
Yours Obedient Servant
Jas H. Brooks

Cochino 16th April 1864

Messrs. Atkinson & Co.

Gentl -

Just as I was
on the point of departure from
Tellicherry, I rec^d your message
offering me £20. for Boston, from
Rangoon. I suppose the cargo is to be
Rice although no mention is made
in either message. I arrived here
yesterday - rec^d your message & will
sail in a few minutes for Rangoon.
Will you please meet me there
with whatever letters you may have,
or may arrive for me.

Respectfully Yours

J. H. Brock

I have to provide I advised you last
 at Cochin April 16th which place I left at
 1 P.M. of that same day. I arrived at Rangoon
 bar on Monday a.m. the 2nd inst & was obliged to wait
 outside for a Pilot two days. Getting up to town with
 the ship on Tuesday the 5th inst. Through the delay
 of Mr. J. Cotton's arrival etc. in forwarding the Charter
 Party to their Agents here. I was obliged to remain here
 until Monday morning, when I commenced discharging
 ballast & on this day I have commenced loading.
 The Charter Party allows them thirty running days
 in which to load the ship & from what I learn of the
 state of the Rice market, I presume the whole time will
 be used. Owing to the stupidity of our agents in Calcutta
 my letters have none of them been forwarded to me, & so
 keeps me in complete ignorance of your proceedings.
 In accepting this Charter, I have done what I ought
 to look best for the interests of the ship, & I hope it
 has met your approbation. I shall put just as much
 tonnage in her as I think can be carried safely.
 In general terms, the ship is in tip-top order. I shall
 have some little outfit to make, for Rangoon etc.
 but you may rest assured that nothing will be bought

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above named vessel. I have been unable to find any trace of her in the records of the Custom House, and I am sorry to say that I have been unable to find any trace of her in the records of the Custom House. I am, however, sorry to say that I have been unable to find any trace of her in the records of the Custom House. I am, however, sorry to say that I have been unable to find any trace of her in the records of the Custom House.

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except such things as may be indispensable & of that as little as possible to get along with. I wrote you just before I left Calcutta requesting you to send me another credit - mine expires this day - I am in hopes that another one will reach me before I have to provide for my disbursements here -

When in Calcutta I scraped smoothly & painted the outside of the ship - lead color when fresh it looked fine, but I have had enough of lead color after being worn a short time - the iron rust makes it look dolefully - I shall black her over in a few days -

Except two or three of my sailors - we are all quite well - & hope to continue so, although it is very sickly about here just now -

As I advised you in my last - I deposited with the Cochin branch of the Madras Bank ten thousand two hundred & fifty - rupees - same to be forwarded to Messrs. Shiple & Co. Liverpool by the Parent Bank with a forwarding date bill - the decree of which they are to send me soon - it has not yet got along - but will probably be here in a few days - when I shall forward it.

Hoping this will find you all well, I remain
Yrs. Respectfully Yours Obedient Servant

Jas H. Brock

[illegible]

Longwood May 1868

My dear Mr. Garrison

If you purchased
me under the best night I was in
California I bought of you a set of
no 4 - light camp - at 18 cups & look

If you have any more of that same
kind in hand. I wish you to send
me few first class new four balls -
I do not wish any other kind

I shall estimate it a great
favor if you will also purchase &
send me few first class new the
following articles of clothing -
two dozen blue flannel shirts -
two do. Woolen knickerbockers
two do. Blue Cotton do
two do. Blue Cotton knickerbockers -

These articles are for my own - I
can judge about size -
I am, one of the following

of shoes - no Moleps - Bread -
Paint Oil - these things I can sell
he bought here, but was no dear.

I thought perhaps you would
them. So that after paying the freight
I would make a small saving on
each. Bread is lighter, except for
cost, in bulk. I ship my horse
in a boxcar, it would make a great
advice if sent in bulk. I thought
when in California at the time's milk
at the rate of 10¢ per quart.

Moleps being in bulk I can get
for ten times per yard.
Paint Oil is two cups, eight ounces
per gallon. That if you can send
mathematical articles, so as to make
me a little saving. I would like
to have you do it - You had better
find out what the freight will be &
then figure upon it. Of Bread I

want fifteen bushels - Moleps I need
three barrels - Paint Oil fifteen p

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if you could send me salt Beef.
 that would not be fine after paying
 freight more than forty eight cents
 per lb. I want to see it. Whatever
 you send me must be sent per
 first steamer, otherwise it will not
 get here in season. I would also
 like to have one cut of quilted
brown wool. In regard to paying
 I will do just as you think best -
 either give it to the Capt of the
 steamer or remit it to you direct.

Please send me the bill for mail,
 also B^l of whatever you ship -

I anticipate being landed early
 for sea quite early in June - and
 bound direct to Boston. So my
 great surprise, I met Rice -
 a few days since, on board one of the
 steamers - let me know why he left
 you - Give my compliments to your
 Lady & believe me, yours truly -

Geo. H. Proctor

Langens 12 May 1864
 Langens 14 May 1864
 With Best Wishes
 London

I would like to know
 how long you calculated it was going to take
 midnight - to perform the passage you proposed
 this place? I suppose of Langens was on the
 2nd inst. I got off to town on 1st of May
 4 - So my great surprise & huge disgust
 found that the Charter party had not yet been
 It came to hand for Portsmouth, on Saturday
 in the day - By this delay, in not having the Charter
 party here - I have lost several days, & am
 as your Agent here, refused to acknowledge any
 lay days as Commenced, until night - I have
 although I've come to demerit of Spence & Ward
 full times.

I was greatly disappointed in
 not finding my letters here. I had expected
 as a matter of course, that you would have forwarded
 every thing right down here, as soon as you knew
 I was coming here. Please send them if you have
 not already done so & I do doing great things -

Can't you manage to send me a few Home papers -
 the sight of one would be good for me yet -

I remain Yours Respectfully
 Geo. H. Cook -

[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side. The text appears to be a letter or a journal entry, with some words like "I have", "I am", and "I wish" visible.]

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Wm Brown Shipley & Co
 London

Langone 14th May 1864

Gentlemen

Yours of April 4th is just rec^d via Calcutta. In accordance with your request I hereby acknowledge the receipt of the Annulment letter from Mr Henry Hastings of Boston. Authorizing you to cancel the credit No 1361 for £1000 issued in my favor on his account.

Respectfully Yours

Jos H. Brock
 Master of Ship "Midnight"

Wm. Brown, Esq. & Co.
London
London 17th May 1764

Friendship
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt
of the sum of £1000 from Mr. John Baptist
Baptist. Enclosed find the receipt of
1301 for £1000. I have in my favor on his account
a first rec^d of £1000.
I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant

Respectfully Yours
Jas. H. Bosc
Master of Ship Midnight

Amogoro 26th May 1868

Major Atkinson F.R.S.

Colonel

Dear Sir

of the 14th inst. came down to home
for "Cheduba". Content to notice -

I am sorry to have to report
to you, but small progress with
our cargo - have now on board
Two Thousand five hundred bags only -
this is the eighteenth day - matters
begin to look squally - Hope for
your sake that we will not come
to demurrage - Looking for
better things the ensuing week

I remain, gentlemen,
Your Obedient servant

Geo. H. Brock
"Midnight"

My dear Mr. [illegible]
 I have just received your letter of the 14th inst. and am
 glad to hear that you are well and happy. I am
 also glad to hear that you are still in the
 service of the Government. I hope you will
 continue to do so for many years to come.
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 J. A. [illegible]

Rangoon May 26 3 1/2 PM
 Henry Russell Esq
 I have not yet received your letter of the 14th
 with a few lines from you. I advised you for some time
 of the arrival of my wife and child here, & also of the
 fact of the non-receipt of my letters from you. I was
 a few hours subsequently - in fact before the steamer had
 got out of the river - a package came to hand from
 Calcutta containing four letters from you, the last of which
 the latter covering letter of date 10th Dec 1861. I am sorry
 you say in answer to mine of 20th January that you
 cannot understand how to begin an account of the
 for shortage &c. I have no thought my dear friend
 you would understand it - hence the request I made
 of you, to suspend your judgment until such time
 as I could orally explain all about it. I turned over the
 a letter too long to attempt to write it. You could hardly
 refrain from giving me a cut or two, in connection
 therewith. As they deserved, I should feel them deeply,
 but I do not believe you would have made them
 had you known all about it - therefore I do not mean
 to think much of it at present. I am for some
 time one from Messrs Duffell & Co, enclosing their account -
 the balance of which is five hundred & fifty dollars, which
 I intend settling them this day. - This far I am
 sorry to say, we have made but progress with our sailing -
 but the tide being full or nearly so, during the night

Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the matter of the
 of the Court of the Admiralty, and in answer to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper
 authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 J. M. Smith

week. They will about use up all their time without
doubt but as the damage is fixed at a large rate
I hardly think they will care to incur much of it.
I am entirely out of bread & want a little more Beef -
with a few other sorts of stores - all of which I have
sent to Calcutta for. Prices here being very high -
expect the things will be here in a few days. I
found Rangoon a much dearer port than I had
anticipated - but shall carry everything to avoid unnecessary
expense. - In passing Madras - it is possible
I may send a boat on shore - if I can do it without loss
of time - to learn what I can of the movements of the
"pirates" - If you think it worthwhile I should like to
have you give me a few lines to let me know if there
is any special danger to look out for -

I enclose herewith a letter left on board a short
time since from J. J. Penhallur - It seems he has
left the good situation he had with his uncle & is
now employed on board one of the Co's steamers -

It is a great pity he had not kept quiet & accepted
promotion on board the "Midnight".

Trusting that this will find you all well I
remain my dear Sir, Yours Obedient Servant

J. H. Brock

to Charles

Rangoon May 27th 64

M^r. J. Olyphant & Co
Hong Kong

Gentlemen

Your favor under date Jan^y 31st 64 has just come to hand via Calcutta. with the enclosure all right. it will be of no use for me to make further comments, upon the extent of charges, in my case at least having fully expressed my feelings therein in my letter of Feb^y 1st from Calcutta. Herewith I enclose I hand you the List of Exchanges, for Six Hundred & forty nine ^{thousand} Dollars -- as per your order drawn by the "Chartered Bank of India Australia & China" in your favor at three days sight. which you will please acknowledge to me at Vancouver B^e - Mass - U S A - & Ohio - I remain Gentlemen

Res^t Yours -

Geo H. Brock
This midnight

the Chinese

London May 27 1864
 Mr. J. C. Schuchert
 New York
 Gentlemen

your favor
 received date Aug 25th last just one
 to have in Calcutta. With the intention
 all rights. It will be of no use for
 me to make further comments upon
 the extent of changes in my case at last
 having full experience in feeling things
 in my letter of 20th - for Calcutta -
 Herewith enclosed I have for the
 trial of exchange, for 25th March &
 first time of exchange - as for the
 second of the Chinese Bank of India
 Bankers & China, in your favor at the
 last right which you will please acknowledge
 to me. At the same time - 25th - 25th -
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 Yours -
 J. C. Schuchert
 New York

Rangoon June 7th 1864

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Messrs Brown Shipley & Co

London

I advise you April 16th from

Cochin that I have deposited at

the branch of the Madras Bank there

Sum of One Thousand Three Hundred and fifty

Rupies to be forwarded to

you - I am enclosed please find

the second of Exchange to \$135 per

One Thousand & fifty one pounds

Twenty Shillings Sterling - drawn

by the Bank of Madras in your

favor, payable at the Bank of England

four months after date - & dated

April 19th 1864 - As previously advised

you will please pay same to the credit

of Henry Hastings Esq of Boston

with advice to him & Obedience

Respectfully Geo H. Brett

of Ship "Midnight"

Received of the
 Treasurer of the
 Bank of Montreal
 the sum of \$100.00
 for the purchase of
 100 shares of
 the Bank of Montreal
 at the rate of \$1.00
 per share
 this 1st day of
 January 1854
 J. H. [Signature]
 Secretary

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Rangoon June 7th 1864

Profr. Elephant & Co.
Hong Kong

Gentlemen

I advise you last
the 27th of May. I suppose herewith enclosed
Please find the second of Elephant & Co. enclosed
for his honor and forty nine dollars. I am being
the amount of balance against this midnight paper for
drawn by the Chartered Bank of India Australia &
China, in your favor at three days sight which you
will please pay to the credit of Ship Midnight.

I am now loading Rice for Boston, which
is nearly loaded & will probably get away some
time next week.

Hoping this will find you
all well I remain, Gentlemen
Respectfully Yours

Geo. H. Brock
Ship Midnight

London Jan 2 1842

My dear Sir

I am very glad to hear

of your success in the

discovery of the new species of

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Yours truly
H. A. Jones

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The first of the month of June
 1774 I received from the
 Honble the Board of Trade
 a Letter from the Honble
 the Secretary of the Board
 in relation to the
 petition of the
 Merchants of the City of
 New York for a
 continuance of the
 duties on the
 importation of
 foreign spirits
 until the 1st of
 January 1775
 The said petition
 was read and
 the Board was
 divided in opinion
 on the subject
 and the matter
 was referred to
 the Committee
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 for their
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 and report
 The Committee
 have since
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 resolved to
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 of foreign
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 January 1775
 I am Sir
 Your Obedt Servt
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 1st of
 January 1775
 I am Sir
 Your Obedt Servt
 J. B.

My dear
I advised you last on the 26th
May - Since which date I have
permeated but don't mix my
Cargos. The charters have been
only two days to complete this
I then commenced going on, with tons
of tin, tinware & other things
I have now in about 600 tons -
I have the anchors constant &
that as it has been for the last
week - it will require about a
week more to finish off -

I have this day received of
Messrs Brown Shipley & Co, Dublin
the amount of £4000 - do 1/31
Drawn by the Bank of Ireland, in
Cheque for One Thousand &
Eighty Nine pounds Thirteen Shillings

[illegible]

Nothing to be given all well
I hope to be in the
Hospital for some time

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Rangoon June 16. 1864
 Messrs. B. & C. Co.
 London
 Gentlemen

I have this
 day drawn upon you under credit
 No 1361. dated in Rangoon 10 March 1864 -
 in full of disbursements of Ship
 "Midnight" in favor of Messrs
 Halliday, Bullock & Co. of Rangoon
 £402. 2s. Ten Pence and 8 farthings
 Six Shillings 8 pence Sterling at
 Six Months Sight -

Respectfully Yours

Jas H. Brock
 Ship "Midnight"
 of Rangoon

Prof. D. D. Smith
 Boston
 June 10 1864

Dear Sir
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the purchase of a copy of the "Practical Treatise on the Diseases of the Horse" by J. C. Smith, M.D. I have the pleasure to inform you that a copy of the same has been forwarded to you by express of the 12th inst. and is at your service.

Very respectfully,
 J. C. Smith, M.D.
 Boston

the quantity of Rice, which should be

I have the pleasure to inform you that I have
 just received from your
 Agents Messrs. Hurd, Butler &
 the sum of \$1000.00 for the
 being delivered as per charter per
 your slip. The British object
 to paying the two last days - one of
 them being Sunday - & only paid it
 in consideration of my signing the
 receipt subject to the signature of
 Boston - between the 20th of the ship &
 your payment there. Of your
 purchase commission problem when
 the purchase was in Calcutta, as to
 the quantity of rice, which should be

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David H. G. P.

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Rangoon River June 17 1864

Henry Hastings Esq
Boston

My dear fri -

The "Midnight" is at last loaded & now proceeding down the river under canvas. I finished loading as I thought on Monday, but finding that she was not quite as deep as I was intending to put her, I ordered a couple of hundred bags more - & cleared off on Tuesday. I have been much bothered with wet weather, but think I have got the cargo in, & stowed in pretty good order. I have on board 13119 bags, the net weight of which is now 1118 Tons. My draft of water is 20.6 even - I have loaded rather deeper than I should under other circumstances, in order to counterbalance the depreciation, which I think will be considerable as a portion of the Rice seems quite green. I have collected five days damages @ 250 rupees per day - being 1250 rupees in all. I had some considerable trouble with Mr Bullock the Agent here - he contending that I was not entitled to the two last days - one of them being Sunday. I was as stubborn in the matter as he was - & finally settled the matter by signing a receipt for the amount subject to the decision of the owners of the ship & the representatives of Messrs. Robinson & Nelson & Co. in Boston. I have no kind of fear, but

I have been thinking of you very much lately
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 I hope you are well and happy.
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what you will decide in my favor. after having
 seen the log book. I feel sure that if Sunday is a
 legal working day. it must have become so quite
 lately. Merchants never like paying demurrage - but
 I think in this case the ship is fully entitled to it.
 I settled my accounts here, by draft at 6 months
 sight upon Messrs Brown Shipley & Co. - dated the 16th
 for Four Hundred & two pounds, two shillings & eight
 pence sterling; figuring at the rate of 2 1/4 per cent -
 Herewith enclosed please find my ^{yearly} account of
 disbursements - also the ^{yearly} of money disbursed by
 Messrs Halliday, Bullock & Co. I have tried hard
 to keep the bills down & think I have done so
 considering, that I was quite short of stores &c.
 I shall do my best to expedite matters & bring
 ship & cargo home in good season & order, being
 deep you need not look for a very short passage
 although I shall try hard to come, inside of a
 hundred days - We are all quite well except
 one of my Seamen - who was nearly killed a few
 days since, by a block from aloft, striking him on
 the head. I have got his head mended & think he will
 recover after a while -

Hoping this will find you all well & meet
 your approbation. I remain my dear Sir

Your Obedient Servant

Geo. H. Proctor

Sept 4th 6

Henry Hastings Esq 128 State St. Boston.
 Offered four thousand Gold Hong Kong —
 Sixteen thousand nett New York —
 Remained waiting arrival Australian
 Mail — Due & received.

Geo H. Brock —

Sept 4th 6

Henry Hastings Esq 128 State St. Boston.

Offered same China not paid —
 Australia nothing —
 Give lowest limits — Singapore & Canton
 New York —

Ship waiting —

Geo H. Brock

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Dear Sir
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst.
 in relation to the matter of the British Steamship Company of London and Southampton etc.

I regret to inform you by telegraph the 10th inst. of my departure from the day previous, having made every possible effort in the last few days to reach the land in order as to get that it was entirely impossible to tell the exact position of the ship. Consequently, I left a day or two in time. I made the best of my way to Hornby until my launch put me off the beach. But my land at all. After having turned around for a number of hours quite near the coast, seeing no land or ship, I felt in such a deplorable situation. The Capt of the ship kindly consented to throw a boat & assist me in getting in. I was then landed in a dingy notwithstanding the fog & for which I pay him a half day's wages. Upon my arrival I found at the office of the ship the Capt. Your friend Mr. J. H. Brown, who is from the fact that he is. I saw him and for the first time since my arrival of August 1st. In consequence of the great number of passengers I had, I was obliged to be very particular in the matter of the ship. I had my share of the money to pay for the passage of my wife & myself. I had an aggregate of 2000 lbs in gold on the

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San Francisco Sept 8 1846
 Messrs Henry Hastings Esq
 San Francisco
 (Sisters) Gentlemen

I arrived
 you by ship the 30th of August, of the Cape Horn
 the day previous having made a very fine passage
 but—on the last part of the day I was so much enveloped
 in fog that it was entirely impossible to tell the
 exact position of the ship. Consequently I lost
 a day or two by treaty. From the time of passing Cape
 Horn until my anchor was run off the head I was
 not land at all. After having cruised around for
 a number of hours, quite near the coast & seeing no
 land or light—I felt in a little coasting schooner the
 Capt of which was kindly requested to come on board
 & assist me in getting in, which we succeeded in
 doing notwithstanding the fog & for which I feel, being
 about half a day's delay. Upon my arrival I found
 at the office of the Major Legation your favor of July 21st
 enclosing letter from Mr. Robert Smith etc. I also received
 per Mr. A. Stearns a favor of August 23rd. In conformity
 with the provisions therein specified I have remitted for
 Gold sufficiently to run through the Bank Notes
 issued at New York & to pay the interest on Gold
 for which he has to pay a premium of 6 p. & stamps
 making an aggregate of \$15,732 in gold, on the

The following is a list of the
 names of the persons who
 have been appointed to the
 various offices of the
 Society for the Propagation
 of the Gospel in the
 South Sea Islands, since
 the year 1780, to the
 present time. The names
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The Rules having made a hole in the head of the cask
 to allow the Whiskey all to leak out. The following
 day, that with the exception of a portion of the ground
 tier, no ship ever came out sharing better storage.
 Under these circumstances I do not expect to
 have much to pay for damage. Our Powder was
 a few packages short as it was received on both
 Quayways in New York. I presume the mistake must
 have occurred there, as we were very careful here.
 I am in great hurry at the time of putting it out.
 I have paid off very few, except the Mate
 Carpenter & a couple of the hands. I rather like
 my Chief Officer although he is not all I wished
 to. I suppose he would be, from the recommendation given
 him by Capt. Kinnley. At present he seems well
 satisfied to remain, but should he be offered
 more wages than I am willing to give him, I do
 not think his principles would prevent his leaving
 the ship. I should be sorry to lose him because it
 might be a difficult matter to obtain another
 having all his good qualities & at the same time -
 Our two Medford boys were the most worthless boys
 I ever had & they have both left. I consider in
 their case, the amount of advance paid them
 a dead loss, for they were not worth the start. As usual.
 The Hatch boy is a trifle better & no great shakes at
 that - he still remains in the ship - perhaps in time

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Let me say more. I rather expect the Carpenter
will leave. In his case I care but little either way.
He is quite a good Carpenter on deck but I supposed
him to be good for nothing to work aloft. With
regard to the appearance of the ship I will say
but little. I think she is in good order.

I shall have some few things to get here but
shall use my best endeavoring to keep the bills as
small as may be consistent with the good being
of the ship. Should you see letter of my
officers, it is quite possible that you may learn
some few facts about the condition of the ship
out of sight - which you would hardly have
believed in New York - & of which I shall say
nothing. Ever since I left New York I have
enjoyed a perfect state of good health - all
that was wanting I guess in my case was to be
found at sea.

I was glad to learn
from your last letter, that your "Madagascar"
came off without damage. My Provisions &
Stowage were all as good as ever, & of the best
quality. I believe I have mentioned all
of special importance will therefore close.

Trusting this will find you all well, & your
business prospering I remain Gentlemen
Your obedient servant

Geo. H. Brock

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the
 matter of the estate of the late John H. Brown. I have the honor to inform you that the same
 has been referred to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 J. H. Brown

My dear Sir
 I have the honor to acknowledge
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My dear Sir
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I have just received your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the
 Chinese trade of the month of Sept. 1866
 Messrs. H. & Co. at New York, who
 have been asked to put one hundred dollars
 to the credit of the Chinese trade of the month of Sept. 1866
 You quite fully pay attention to the matter of the 14th inst.
 of matter relating to the Midland, on the
 afternoon of the 14th inst. - Friday, I received your
 telegram of the same date, advising me to make
 best terms possible for New York & Boston & I sent
 you a message Saturday last, informing you that
 I had chartered a ship for the purpose of carrying mail,
 which I must give you. The ship is to receive a
 general cargo - excluding oil - to be loaded to
 a draft of 19-7 - fifty days, for which I receive
 fifteen thousand eight hundred dollars, with the
 simple standing between you & myself, that 2 1/2 %
 Com. shall be returned. The cargo all expenses of loading
 & unloading & the expense of steam transportation from
 the wharf at which I am now lying, up to the loading
 & berth at his own wharf. This leaves the charter
 subject only to 5 % Com. - I think it a good charter
 for the market. I am rather disappointed
 inasmuch as I would have preferred a cargo over
 to Australia & thence to India. The latest advice
 from that way however, was extremely unfavorable
 for business there being a number of heavy failures

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the matter of the 14th inst. - I am sorry to hear that you are unable to find a suitable person for the position of a clerk in your office. I am sorry to hear that you are unable to find a suitable person for the position of a clerk in your office. I am sorry to hear that you are unable to find a suitable person for the position of a clerk in your office.

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The China trade offers are small, owing to the fact of expensive shipments, during the last few months.

I go up to the loading berth at Market St. wharf this P.M. high tide, & will probably commence loading tomorrow. I have about one hundred tons of iron to discharge, as soon as I am ballasted —

I have not yet closed up my inward business but shall probably do so the last of this week —

Thus far the amount of claims brought in is very small. Not a claim has been made for bad storage, except a little in the bottoms of the ship, which was stowed before I joined the ship & not properly damaged & secured.

In conformity with your expressed desire, I employed Messrs. Ames & Pitman as Stewards — with the express stipulation, that all breakage in getting the cargo out, should be paid for by them, and I shall hold them to their agreement.

Not having any spare copper on board I have had to purchase a few sheets to replace & patch some of ours. My Chief Officer still recommends & I believe such is his intention. You did not mention in your Telegram of the 14th inst. whether you had received my remittance all right, but I presume you did get it in due season —

Trusting this will find you all well. I remain gentlemen yours —

Obedient servant

G. H. Brock

I have about one hundred and fifty
 to be changed, as soon as I am enabled
 to do so. I have not yet cleared up my accounts
 but shall probably do so at the end of the week.
 I have for the amount of claims brought in
 is very small. Not a claim has been made
 for lost storage, except a little in the bottom
 of the ship, which was stolen before I found out
 that it was stolen. I have not yet
 the Commission, but your experience shows
 me that the Commission is not necessary
 with the express stipulation, that all claims
 against the cargo are to be made by the
 owner of the cargo, and that the
 owner shall hold them to their agreement.
 But I am not sure if you or I have
 been to purchase a few sheets to replace the
 some of our. My chief officer is the owner
 + I believe that is his intention. For the
 minutes in your telegram of the 11th, stating
 that you are a committee, all right, but I have
 for the 11th in the letter -
 Yours for all well. I am in good health
 and hope to be so for some time.

San Francisco Sept 28th 1866

Wm. Henry Hastings Esq. ^{San Francisco}
 Captain of the ^{U.S. S.} ^{Albatross} ^{U.S. S.} ^{Albatross}
 and also in the ^{U.S. S.} ^{Albatross} ^{U.S. S.} ^{Albatross}

I advised you last on the 17th inst. of matters relating to the ^{U.S. S.} ^{Albatross} ^{U.S. S.} ^{Albatross} & although my subsequent proceedings have been of rather a quiet nature, I suppose you would like to hear from me. I notice, from a few lines I received from Edward per last mail, that the ^{U.S. S.} ^{Albatross} ^{U.S. S.} ^{Albatross} interest was prominent, which accounts for my not hearing from you directly of any date later than Aug 9th. As advised in my last I have this ship moved on the afternoon of the 17th inst. for the wharf at which I discharged, up to the loading berth at Market St. & on the 18th I commenced loading - getting the balance of iron all out on the same day. I am now a little over half loaded. Mr. Lyster has very generously sufficient to entirely load the ship, but is rather hesitating it back, in the hope that some of the ships going out will carry some. At the present time there is not a ship in the market - without doubt could he get a steamer ship to follow the ^{U.S. S.} ^{Albatross} ^{U.S. S.} ^{Albatross} would be loaded right up to its order. I regret that my paper had it been a few days longer,

insurance at freight advanced - about two dollars
for two thousand four days after I chartered & I could
now get a good thing for insurance, if free -

I close my accounts yesterday, with the Messrs
Cochran & Co. I herewith enclose same to you - You
will observe that the claims aggregate \$15.00 of
which we get back from sales \$5.00 - & I have a
further claim against Ames for things broken by
his men - I have also taken a few of the articles
on board for ship's use, rather than send them to
America - Consequently our actual loss will not
much exceed seven, five dollars, of which about
one half is for new delivery. I have now
in hand about eighteen hundred dollars, with which
to make advances to my crew & cover other items
of disbursements - I have more than sufficient
for all. The packing paid, Messrs. Cochran & Co. I will
send per exp. when I send my own account after
the ship is ready for sea - of everything you may rest
assured, I shall spend nothing, that I can well
avoid & keep my bills as low as possible, consistent
with the well being of the ship.

Trusting this will find you all well I remain
your obedient servant

Geo. H. Brock

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Mr. J. H. ...
San Francisco, Cal. 10th Nov

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I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the ...
I am sorry to hear that you are ...
I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. H. ...

San Francisco, Cal. 10th Nov

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Your obedient servant,
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The first of these is the
 fact that the population of
 the world is increasing at
 an alarming rate. This is
 due to a number of factors,
 including improved medical
 care, increased food supply,
 and a general decline in
 mortality rates. As a result,
 the world's population is
 expected to reach over 10
 billion by the year 2050.
 This rapid growth has led
 to a number of problems,
 including overpopulation,
 environmental degradation,
 and increased competition
 for resources. It is therefore
 essential that we find ways
 to manage our population
 growth and ensure a sustainable
 future for all.

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received from the bank I have been able to keep
 my bills as long as possible, but unable to
 procure many more, and articles of which I was in
 great want. Not having funds enough in hand
 I was obliged to give the Miss. Bayhill a sight
 draft upon you for (912) nine hundred & twelve
 dollars. I was fearful of being out when I
 made so large a remittance, but your orders were
 imperative for me to do that. The ship is now
 loaded to a draft of 12.6 aft & 12.1 forward. I
 consider her in good trim & shall do the best I
 can to get her along - having due regard to
 the condition of the cargo. I would advise
 making arrangements to have the sailing master
 in a line to load directly back. I can have
 her ready for berth within ten days or less if need
 be. Nothing beyond my anticipations
 presents. I shall bring the ship home in good
 order & keep right on. You will observe among
 the vouchers, one for a keel which the messengers made
 me take out. I must acknowledge that it was high
 time it was replaced. The thornright examined
 the ship all round & decided that was all she
 needed to pay. Will you please have four
 thousand dollars insured for me.

I am very glad to hear that my account of matters will
 be satisfactory. I remain Respectfully Yours
 Geo. H. Brock

The ship's ready for sea & sailing
 tomorrow. I am going out
 and I'll keep the ship
 of course. I have a detailed plan
 to get the ship for a long time.
 I will be well & in good health.
 I am well & in good health.
 Yr. W. B. B.

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San Francisco Oct 11th 1861

My dear Agnes, Hastings

Dear & Gentleman

I am very glad to hear from you
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 loading of the [unclear] but will not take any more
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 wages would be heavy. I hardly thought it would be [unclear]
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 to do [unclear]. The [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
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 their office. I am [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
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with his profession. The second affair came in to
 me as a ~~man~~ ^{man} was a good teacher & perhaps a
 to be a good officer being the only man remaining
 in the army. I am sure that the ~~man~~ ^{man} will be a
 very good officer, you will notice that I mentioned
 that if anything offered a little better. You know he
 would not let his principles, submitting with his desires.

In closing my accounts, I feel short, and by the way
 which I obtained from the Messrs. Bright & Co. for
 a draft drawn on you for 1000 dollars, payable in gold.

I must mention here, that the Messrs. Bright are perfect
 gentlemen & good business men, they are desiring
 of conducting a master all the assistance of their firm.

I should like to see you need to attend to your
 I don't think that you will find them perfectly
 reliable. I hope by the way, that you are not lost
 through the failure of Messrs. Bright & Co.

I send this letter with a package containing all the original books
 and ^{new} Charles's book. I shall send some for express.

I will send you a duplicate of my account, per Ireland
 mail to you. I do not know what has happened
 of the boat by the stand by the ship must have been days
 from the port and all it once disappeared.

I still have some in mind, that his father gave
 me, for him, to be used at my discretion. I will
 feel obliged to you if you will see that I have a
 about four hundred dollars, interest, all together.

The first of these is the fact that the
 world is a very different place from what it
 was a few years ago. The population is
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Mar 30 th 1867	17.00	
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May 30 th 1867	352.16	
June 30 th 1867	38.87	
July 30 th 1867	9684	
Aug 30 th 1867	2096.00	3037.68

Sept 30 th 1867	1600.00	2978.56
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Nov 30 th 1867	9.12	
Dec 30 th 1867	496.00	
Jan 30 th 1868	2096.00	3037.68

E & O San Francisco. Oct 1st 1866
 J. H. Brock

Memo - mistake in advance paid on board 55
 Sea Stock of meat to deduct 59.90 - 14.90

Dear Sir, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst.

New York July 11/47

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 of industry and the need
 for more land for agriculture.
 The third factor is the
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 housing and infrastructure.
 This is due to the growth
 of cities and the need for
 more roads, bridges, and
 public services.

The fourth factor is the
 increasing demand for
 education and training.
 This is due to the need
 for a more skilled
 workforce. The fifth factor
 is the increasing demand
 for social services, such as
 health care and education.
 This is due to the aging
 population and the need
 for more social security.
 The sixth factor is the
 increasing demand for
 environmental protection.
 This is due to the need
 to preserve natural resources
 and to reduce pollution.
 The seventh factor is the
 increasing demand for
 international cooperation.
 This is due to the need
 to address global issues
 such as climate change
 and nuclear proliferation.

The eighth factor is the
 increasing demand for
 peace and stability.
 This is due to the need
 to prevent conflict and
 to promote development.
 The ninth factor is the
 increasing demand for
 cultural exchange.
 This is due to the need
 to understand and respect
 different cultures.

Dear Mr. Garrison
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Dr. J. A. Briggs
Boston, Mass.

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but with respect to the matter
I let you know in confidence
apart. I am ready to
stand you down about things
matter & perfect in the matter
concerning the place of the
when you are to be - that
my dear friend - you must not
be troubled - I feel perfectly
equal & competent to the matter
to all matters, & am not
wonder if in dropping attention
I will to spare you of about
specimens of attention - I shall
try to do every thing according
to your wishes & ideas - I am
certainly certain that no better
method could be used than getting
interest & candid for coming.

and I think of the matter, please
that is not a very important
With regard to that part I
am only acknowledging myself
to blame. I have lost his
address for - although I presume
my cousin - could find him
by referring to his book as he
ship's name for us in January
1863. I shall communicate
with Boston and send what
you will provide in all matters.
Why tell you what you
see better. I know nothing
about it now - even having been
there - I dropped it from the
Magazine - and told he
right - I presume he is
disappointed. Yours
W. W. Smith

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Wendell Phillips

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Dear Mr. Garrison -
I am very glad to hear of
your success in the cause.

It is now necessary for us
to have better preparation & I
telegraphed for this to me, asking
also I should employ my opinion
so that we win our recubitus
wherever it will be great to
our advantage to have the same
blacksmith work again & as Mr. Butler
made an arrangement with him
to do the work; I thought I had
better put your trial before doing
anything more. I have been several

My dear friend
I have just received
your letter of the 10th
and am very glad to hear
from you. I am well and
hope this finds you the same.
I have been thinking of you
very much lately and wondering
how you are getting on.
I have been very busy lately
but I have managed to find
some time to write to you.
I hope you are well and
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Yours truly,
John Smith

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 made no provision for payment
 of labours, I borrow from
 Mr. Woolley, this I'm - if not
 enough for the days payment to
 my brother, there will be
 one examination before the
 A. L. L. of the 1st of the 1st, respecting
 the case of the accident &
 I am, with to appear, at the
 meeting. I have done
 nothing more, with carrying
 as the things & documents can
 be all with the same time
 last from as we know the
 charges of Carl. I shall
 have, the first address to
 make. I have seen many
 of the old pink men & the 1st
 office I can get, is 7th of

Please instructions for the
 next - what I have been doing
 As I have not seen the
 Midford Carpenter / An advice
 that, did not want yesterday -
 I am, says, that if they are
 not here in season for sending
 next Monday - it will be of
 no use for them to come, as we
 are getting along quite rapidly
 in that department.
 Referring to our pen house, &
 to the fact that I had sent the
 last, I remain, my friend,

Yours truly,
 W. M. P. 1800

[Faint, illegible handwriting in cursive script, likely a ledger or account book entry. The text is written in brown ink on aged, yellowed paper. The handwriting is very light and difficult to decipher, but appears to be organized into columns and rows, possibly representing financial or administrative data.]

*Efficient officer & clerk at
Shanty for all matters -*

Efficient officer & looks at
sharply for all matters —

The Rigging is all off
the Main Mast and as
soon as the next day get done
we shall get it & have matter
along. We have been
working on Case this PM and
will probably get out enough
during one more half day —
I think. When saw Mr. Goodrich &
he tells me it is doubtful if
our Case will come off in
season for me to see it as the
offspring party — will probably
be in no hurry — they have
liberated us & to remain here
Bailey will give the witness
amount of bondy & even I think.
I have been extremely long delay
than must be — I must allow —

Respectfully G. A. Root

The first of the month
 I have not yet
 received your letter
 of the 10th inst.
 but I am glad to hear
 that you are well
 and hope that you
 will continue to be so
 for some time yet
 I am very truly
 your friend
 J. B.

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 These places below water broken by the anchors -
 about thirty sheets of paper destroyed in same way -
 Boat badly storm - the whole front of cabin
 injured & the house injured all over - the
 ceiling under floor badly broken in - and from
 front of cabin broken -

[Faint handwritten text from the reverse side of the page, visible through the paper.]

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My dear Mr. King
 I have just received
 your letter of the 14th inst.

and am glad to hear
 that you are well. I have
 been very busy lately
 and have not had time
 to write you more fully.
 I was greatly
 pleased to hear from you
 and to learn that you
 are well. I have been
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My dear friend
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 and am very glad to hear
 from you. I am well and
 hope this finds you the same.
 I have not much news to write
 at present. I am still in the
 same place and doing the same
 work. I am very busy and
 have not much time for
 writing. I am very sorry to hear
 that you are not well. I hope
 you will soon be better.
 I am very affectionately
 yours
 Wm. Lloyd Garrison

we much demand in this
 market. Messrs. [unclear] have
 written to their correspondents
 at Shanghai, to ascertain
 can be done in that market.
 We shall probably hear in
 a few days. If I can see
 a better prospect there, I
 shall immediately proceed.
 At present business is quite
 dull here, but I have no
 doubt after getting rid of
 my cargo, but that I will
 find something of a paying
 nature - at all events I
 do not believe in keeping
 a ship lying idle a great
 while - shall therefore be
 guided by circumstances -

The ship is all right -
 Hoping this will find you all
 well. I remain your truly
 & faithfully Yours - J. M. Brock

[illegible]

My dear Mother
I have just received
your letter of the 11th
and was very glad to
hear from you. I am
well and hope this
letter will find you the
same. I am very
fond of you and hope
to hear from you
often. I am very
lovingly
Your affectionate son
John

As nothing definite about the ship is
 the future I could get
 a cargo for home right off
 but that hard. But my
 ideas just now. I shall
 not remain in ill-health
 long I am afraid you
 The ship is all right &
 in good order for lengthening
 We are all quite well -
 Hoping this will find you
 all in the same condition
 I remain gentlemen & respect
 Your obedient servant

J. H. P. Cook
 H. Brook
 Ship Midway
 of Boston

The meeting of the
 the friends of the
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 at that time
 was just about
 the same
 long I can spare
 the day is all right
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 the thing that will
 all in the same
 I am sure
 your dear friend
 J. W. D.

Shanghai Sept 11 1870
 Messrs J. & W. Shipley & Co
 London

Gentlemen
 Herewith enclosed please find the
 first of Exchange ⁵³²⁶ Bill dated Sept 11th
 1870 drawn by Comptoir D'Escompte de
 Paris, in your favor for £2000. - Ten thousand
 pounds Sterling, payable four
 months after date, which you will please
 place to the credit of Messrs. Hoar, Hastings & Co
 of Boston. Map - and advise them
 of your receipt of same.
 Respectfully Yours

J. H. Brock
 Master of Ship Midway
 of Boston

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the above named matter. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours, etc.
 J. H. [Signature]

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with a Chinese house for a safe deposit
 Swatow & back here again in the ship. I
 have the receipt for Shanghai Sept 27 1867.
 Messrs Messrs Hastings & Co
 get clear of Boston & I have by which I
 shall send about half of the money to you & one
 dollar to the other. I advised
 you last the 5th of my giving heavily
 sale of cargo etc. since which time we have
 been moving in the regular Chinese style.
 taking out one piece of Coal at a time & making
 a big noise over that before taking another.

Two weeks ago this day I began discharging
 Coal & have only got rid of four hundred
 tons up to this time. The Custom of this
 port is thirty-five tons per day. We have had
 such bad weather all this week that we could
 do nothing, but to day is pleasant & prospects
 are favorable for a good day's work. I have
 been hoping to get along more rapidly, was to
 have been able to remit more largely for this
 mail, but they only pay for the Coal as fast
 as discharged. Enclosed I send you a copy
 of the letter I send our Bankers this day by
 which you will perceive that I have remitted
 close. I hope for next mail to give you
 final remittance & another good remittance.

Last week I concluded a charter -

I have been thinking of you very much lately
 and wondering how you are getting on.
 I hope you are well and happy.
 I have been very busy lately
 but I have managed to find some time
 to write you a few lines.
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with a Chinese house, for a voyage down to
Swatow & back here again, via Foo-Chen, for
five thousand two hundred & thirty-four dollars.
I anticipate using up about two months. I
get clear of ballasting here, by which I
shall save about half. Ballast here is one
dollar per ton & at Swatow I am told it is only
half that amount. Having paid port duty
here, that payment is good all over the Coast
for four months, therefore I do not
anticipate any large expense out of this.

I think it best for the present to remain
on this Coast, & shall endeavor to make
it profitable. Please address me Care of
Ct. Ho Hong Kong & they will forward letters
to me. They are all quite well. I trust
this will find you all comfortable & that
my demands may prove acceptable. I remain
Yours truly, Respectfully, Your Obedient servant

John D. Cook

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above named bill of exchange. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been duly cashed and the proceeds of £2000 are now standing to your credit in the Bank of England. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been duly cashed and the proceeds of £2000 are now standing to your credit in the Bank of England. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been duly cashed and the proceeds of £2000 are now standing to your credit in the Bank of England.

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 fact that the population
 of the world is increasing
 at a rapid rate. This is
 due to a number of factors,
 including improved medical
 care, increased food supply,
 and a general increase in
 living standards. The result
 is that the world is becoming
 more crowded, and this has
 led to a number of problems,
 including pollution, over-
 crowding, and a shortage
 of natural resources. These
 problems are all interconnected,
 and they all have the same
 root cause: the increasing
 population of the world.

Shanghai Sept 12/90
 Mr Ching Mao

I have informed
 you that the Minght I was
 sent to receive and right in
 layer held. I would like to
 have you Commission work to make
 otherwise I must be satisfied
 putting out and as the ship
 must be lighter port safety.

Shall calculate your
 lay days to Commission on
 Friday, Sept 27/90, giving
 you all of them for the day
 Res. H. H. H.

Yours H. H. H.
 Master of Midnight

[Faint, mostly illegible handwriting in the upper half of the page, possibly representing a list or account.]

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[A series of vertical handwritten entries, likely names or signatures, arranged in columns.]

M. J. Davis & Co.

Learn Man

Your check for \$5 Fort. has
cleared at hand. Enclosed
has been made a part of Feb.

In the Field Service of the July 1897

Respectfully yours

Encl. Brock

Shanghai Oct 19th 1867
 Messrs Henry Hastings & Co
 Boston

I advised you last the 19th inst
 since which time our working has been greatly
 retarded in consequence of stormy weather.
 I succeeded in getting rid of my Coal last
 Thursday, but the weather was so wet the
 rest of the week that I could do nothing towards
 loading, but have made good progress this
 week. I now anticipate being loaded tomorrow
 and will probably sail the day following for
 Swatow. Enclosed herewith I hand you a
 copy of letter sent to our Bankers this day —
 Messrs Olphart & Co^s of 81 Broadway
 for midnight in Hong Kong with vouchers of
 same — & sales of our Cargo of Coal —
 and also Messrs Olphart & Co^s Current
 with the ship up to the 7th inst. — from which
 balance I must cash. You will observe
 that my cargo has turned out in excess —
 This is something very unusual in this
 port that it has caused no little outlay.
 As a rule, Coal discharged here, depreciates
 about 3% — when you see my own % of
 money expended, perhaps the item of gratuity

I am very glad to hear that you are well and hope you will continue so. I have been feeling better lately and hope to go back soon.

I have been thinking much of late about the future of our country and the people who live in it. It seems to me that we are passing through a great crisis and that the result will determine whether we are to remain a united people or become a collection of warring states.

I believe that the only way to preserve our Union is by maintaining the principles of liberty and justice for all. We must not allow ourselves to be divided by sectional interests or by the passions of the moment.

I am, dear friend, your sincere friend and admirer.

Wm. Lloyd Garrison

will give you some idea of the method I
 adopted to make it hold out. Not being
 able to get all my bills settled, in person
 for this mail, I will have to forward on
 our account per next mail. I do not
 wish to pay the port dues on tonnage until
 the last moment, being allowed four months
 from date of payment, free. The tonnage dues
 amount to 373 taels. I have now in hand about
 four hundred. This amount will not half
 pay my bill, but I am to receive \$1400
 upon my present charter, as soon as the
 ship is loaded & ready for sea, which will
 afford me funds enough for all purposes.

I have bread & flour to get, & some other
 small matters to replenish. My bill of
 Blacksmithing will be quite large, having
 carried away the main Cap on the passage
 out & broken our bow Capstan all to pieces.

of one thing you may depend - I shall not
 expend one dollar more than is absolutely
 requisite. Having a poor, miserable crew
 on the passage out, I thought it best to give
 them a small amount of cash in Hong Kong
 & let them run, saving money enough by the
 operation to pay advances for a new crew. I
 have to say, that I have got to discharge
 my Chief officer, who is quite ill. I feel

will give you some idea of the situation
of the place to make it clear that the
the fact is that the house is situated in a
very quiet place, I will have to pay for
over account for the house. The house
will to pay the first three or four years
the last payment, being allowed for the
from the date of payment. The house is
situated to 3/4 of a mile. I have not in hand about
from the house. The house is not half
pay my bill, but I am to receive \$1000
before my payment. I have not in hand about
which is located at the house, which will
afford me some money for all my expenses.
I have been a student for 10 years. I have
greatly wanted to be a student. I have
blacksmithing, which is quite large, having
a nice room, the house is in the house
not a book, but I have not in hand about
of one thing you may expect. I have not
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them a student. I have not in hand about
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badly on the account, as he is a good copier
 & I do not know which way to turn to obtain
 a substitute; the article being a scarcity
 in Shanghai - but I will not have the ship
 delayed, even if I have to proceed without
 a mate as I have a good crew & can run
 along. My latest news from 128 State Street was
 dated June 20th. In looking over the Hong-
 Kong Directory I find one missing for \$20.00.
 I am quite confident it was sent me
 from HK. The bill was for Carving & fielding.
 I lost nearly all the carved work of the
 stern on the passage out. I have probably
 mislaid the bill, but if it is found I will keep
 it.

Trusting gentlemen that my
 proceedings will afford you satisfaction.
 I remain Respectfully, your Obedient servant

Wm. H. Brock

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the
 and the fact that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 J. H. [Signature]
 [Address]

Thoughtful & Mr. [unclear]
 [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
 [unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

Account please of account of
 [unclear] 1823 dated Oct 1 1812
 for £1350 British & [unclear] [unclear]
 Fifth [unclear] [unclear] - [unclear]
 by [unclear] & [unclear] [unclear]
 in your favor payable at the
 Union Bank of London. [unclear]
 days after sight - the first
 of which I sent you the [unclear]
 requesting you to place same
 to credit of Mr. [unclear] [unclear]
 [unclear] of Boston, [unclear] them
 upon receipt.

Respectfully yours

John Brock
 [unclear] of [unclear] [unclear]
 [unclear] of Boston

[Faint, illegible handwriting visible through the paper from the reverse side.]

9 PM

Shanghai Oct 11/67

Messrs H. H. & Co.

Boston

Gentlemen

I am now getting the ship
under way for Britain though
in great confusion having
a brief first hand Chinese
language on deck & all appearing
going at once. Notwithstanding
the delay I have just made
up my account which I
forward herewith, should
you find errors in same I
shall not be surprised.

I also enclose vouchers
for my disbursements.

I have sent Messrs. H. H. & Co.
a little balance, which they
will forward our Bankers per
next mail. I can not give

I have not as yet, have
 for several bills to pay -
 I have - I have - I have -
 But I presume they will be
 sent for by one of our
 friends - As I inform
 you in mine of the 9th inst. I
 have had to let my horse
 go - I have decided to let
 substitute - but have not yet
 or nothing about loaning to you
 I shall probably get to
 visit in season for my
 mail. Trusting that all
 you may understand my feelings
 & that all will give
 satisfactory answers in
 return. Respectfully, yours
 G. W. B.

Ship, Midnight 9th Dec.
My Dear Sir,
Herewith I hand you your
letters to be forwarded at your
earliest opportunity. I also
enclose some of the bills which
I have left over to be paid
to credit of ship.
I have given my late
Chief Officer the order
upon you for one hundred
dollars - the instructions
which you will find at length
in the order. I also sent
my bill from the Circular
office - No. 38 - My bill
for Pilgrimage & Station I
will send when I am over
concluded. I must now
hear from you.

My dear friend
 I have just received
 your letter of the 10th
 and am glad to hear
 that you are well and
 hope you are enjoying
 your journey. I am
 writing you a few lines
 to let you know that
 I am still in the city
 and hope to see you
 soon. I am very
 affectionately
 yours
 J. M.

January 4

Fuller Cabot & Co
Boston Mass

Dear Sir

Your check for 20. Thirty Dollars
is at hand - and acknowledgment
has been made on your note there.
"Interest paid up to January 1844"

Respectfully yours
H. M. Bond

[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text, possibly a ledger or account book, covering the majority of the page. The text is written in a cursive script and is heavily faded.]

Off the Beacon Oct 18 1847
 Messrs Lytle & Co
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During our hard
 gale we could not proceed, yet we
 but were obliged to remain in this
 position until we could get out, we look
 forward to getting out to day
 I gave Capt Lytle of the ship an
 order on you for \$1000 and about
 + shall give you \$1000 for sails
 eight, two, & one half. These two, with
 the Consul's bill & the order for
 the late Chief Officer, are the
 only bills to be paid.

Trusting to receive your
 accounts from you by the next
 remittance. Resd Yours,

Wm H. Brown
 Shipping Agent
 at New York

Wm H. Brown

My dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the
 matter of the estate of the late John Smith, deceased. I am sorry to hear of the death of
 your friend and neighbor, and am sure that his estate will be properly managed.
 I have no objection to your acting as executor, and will sign the necessary papers
 to that effect. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours, &c.
 Wm. H. Smith

Chambersburg Pa. 2nd May
 Messrs. Messrs. J. H. & J. H.

Dear Sirs,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th inst.

relative to the purchase of a lot of land in the town of Chambersburg.

I have also the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th inst.

relative to the purchase of a lot of land in the town of Chambersburg.

I have also the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th inst.

relative to the purchase of a lot of land in the town of Chambersburg.

I have also the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th inst.

relative to the purchase of a lot of land in the town of Chambersburg.

I have also the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 31st inst.

relative to the purchase of a lot of land in the town of Chambersburg.

I have also the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st inst.

relative to the purchase of a lot of land in the town of Chambersburg.

I have also the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst.

relative to the purchase of a lot of land in the town of Chambersburg.

I have also the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3rd inst.

relative to the purchase of a lot of land in the town of Chambersburg.

I have also the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th inst.

relative to the purchase of a lot of land in the town of Chambersburg.

I have also the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 5th inst.

relative to the purchase of a lot of land in the town of Chambersburg.

I have also the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6th inst.

relative to the purchase of a lot of land in the town of Chambersburg.

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Sturges Nov 3, 1867
 Dear Mr. [unclear]
 [unclear] [unclear]

I have of course been in
 supplementary work with [unclear]
 [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
 by which I am a better man
 to consist of [unclear] [unclear]
 [unclear] [unclear] I had great in-
 hopes to have heard of the
 great settlement of the [unclear]
 in [unclear] [unclear] but [unclear]
 that is all right now.

Anticipate leaving here
 tomorrow morning for [unclear]
 [unclear] at which point I
 [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
 [unclear] again? I remain
 Yours [unclear]

[unclear]

St. Louis, Mo. 1857

My dear friend

I have just received your letter of the 10th inst.

and am glad to hear that you are well.

I am well and hope these few lines will find you the same.

I have not much news to write at present.

I am, however, very anxious to hear from you.

I am, dear friend, very truly yours,

Wm. Lloyd Garrison

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that paper, to contain a good series of oak
or white pine plank, while the finders outside were
such articles always being in requisition instead
of having them spiked to the stanchions. Some
last summer the stuff used here, was special
in that was spiked to each stanchion so
solid, that it was nearly impossible to get
them off, without splitting the wood. This
proved to save them at Chagab, but yet no
one willing to invest in that kind of stock until
before time was held at 7 p. m. 10 a. m. much
higher. I am not however, shifting things
to be held for the stanchions, as I have seen
better & cost but little if any, more than spikes.

I wish I could talk with you a few minutes
as I have considerable things to say
but being hardly find time just now, let
me write to paper. I am writing this high land
(Gonack) well. I am in good luck.

I have shipped the first of my cargo to
the port of Langu, but in the case of things
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Bangkok Nov 13th 1867
 My dear Mr. [unclear]
 I received at the
 post office a letter from you saying that
 probably be ready for me in about a week from
 this time. After completing this letter I would
 like to be a cargo down the coast, therefore
 would be glad of a charter if some can be procured
 from Bangkok. You are high authorized
 to make a charter for "Merrimack" from Bangkok
 to Bangkok for Rice at any rate you think for
 cents upwards. Should you be enabled to make me
 a charter, please stipulate in charter that
 the Consignee will furnish me, or pay, fines at
 Bangkok for disturbances you give Consignee.
 I know nothing about charges incident to
 the port of Saigon, but in the absence of business
 for Bangkok will not object to that part so
 long as the rates are made equivalent to those
 at Bangkok. If you can make me a charter
 please send some right of it to me at Shanghai
 that I may proceed direct from there to
 Port Collet, for, without the delay of stopping at Hong
 Kong. Should no business offer, please return

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Shanghai Dec 16th 1867
 Messrs Bradley & Co
 Swatow
 Sir

at closing of
 my accounts, previous to sailing
 from your port last month, I
 deposited in your hands (\$700)
 Seven Hundred Dollars, same
 to be remitted per first Mail
 from Hong Kong direct to Messrs
 Brown Shipley & Co London with
 the understanding, that the
 second & third of Exchange should
 be forwarded me either at
 Foo Chow or this place. Not
 having yet heard from you since
 I now make enquiry to see
 what the reason may be.

Please address Care of C. J. Grant & Co
 Shanghai - Respectfully Yours
 Chas. H. Brown
 This Midnight

Stamford, Jan 12 1841
 Mrs. Charles L.
 Boston

My account, having to do with
 your first last account, I
 deposited in your hands 1700
 which I enclose to you, and
 to be accounted for with the
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 the account, and the
 account a third of the
 be forwarded to the
 for the first time
 having got from you
 I now make entry to the
 what the reason may be
 Please send me a copy of the
 Thank you - Respectfully
 Yours
 Wm. W. Wood

of a man. This morning
I was at the house of Mr. J. J. Allen
and saw a very fine specimen of
a young man. He was about
18 years old and was very
tall and thin. He was very
kind and was very
interested in the
study of the
history of the
country.

The young man was
very kind and was
very interested in
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Ship Mianyang
 Hong Kong January 13th 1868
 Messrs Henry Hastings & Co. 209.00
 Boston 22.38
 Cash to Gentlemen 200.59
 I arrived here Sunday

the 5th inst & finished the discharge of my cargo -
 Saturday afternoon but too late to get my papers -
 I am now ready for sea & will sail in about a week
 hence for Bangkok. Herewith please find
 my 1/2 of disbursements since leaving Shanghai in Nov -
 with vouchers for same. Messrs. Oliphants, 12 Shanghai
 & Hong Kong - Copy of letter this day mailed our Bankers.

I found here upon arrival your letter of Oct 22nd 1867.
 & note contents, which shall have attention. I have
 done my best to keep my bills small & make my
 remittances as good as possible. I have in hand
 now some seven hundred dollars & am waiting
 for a bill of exchange - This will pay the amount
 sent our Bankers upward of just one hundred
 pounds sterling - including, which I think quite fair
 considering the times. Hope to hear again soon from
 you & more favorable accounts respecting the Collision
 Case. Trusting this will find you all well & meet
 your approbation I remain Respectfully yours
 Obedient servant
 Gust. Brock

Hong Kong January 13th 1868

Messrs Brown Shipley & Co.

London

Gentlemen

Wherein please

find the first of Exchange No 18/3 for One
 Thousand and fifty two pounds 16-3- Sterling (£152.16.3)
 Drawn by the Oriental Bank Corporation of
 Hong Kong in your favor and payable at their
 Bank in London Two Months after sight - which
 you will please place to the credit of Messrs Henry
 Hastings & Co - Boston - advising them upon receipt.
 You will also find the second of Exchange No 5541-
 Drawn by Comptoir de Escompte de Paris in your
 favor for Three Hundred and fifty six pounds 5 shillings
 Sterling - payable at the Union Bank of London
 Sixty days after sight - the first of which I mailed
 you from Shanghai Dec 25th 1867 - for account
 of Messrs Henry Hastings & Co - requesting you to
 advise them upon receipt.

Respectfully Yours

Geo H. Brock

Ship "Midnight"

of Boston

My dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the above mentioned subject.

I have the honor to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours,
J. A. Smith

J. A. Smith
of Boston

My dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the matter of the

above mentioned case, and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, &c.

Respectfully,
J. H. Brock

Wm. H. Brock
New York

I have been thinking of you
 very much lately and wondering
 how you are getting on. I hope
 you are well and happy. I have
 been very busy lately but I
 have managed to find some time
 to write you. I have been
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Yours truly
 J. H. Brown
 100 N. 1st St.
 Boston

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 very much lately and wondering
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actual condition of same. When
 I was in San Francisco the last time. I was
 informed that these who assumed to know all
 that at the time Capt. Cusby
 want of the article, there was
 in the market, so that he
 was obliged to presume to take the best he
 could get. Consequently no blame attaches to
 the time of stripping off the
 the stuff, I was present all the time I had
 the ship Company employed taking the
 to day I weighed it
 out, with the clock, & also attending
 to the weight of the metal nails
 amounted to 8133 lbs, which I said notice
 is but little more than 1/2 of the weight of
 a good suit; then I have just got 100
 lbs of steel, just the same. I have but one
 other nail at the rate of \$22 per piece. The
 American with American there work probably
 to measure, & we shall commence tapping
 I anticipate getting off about the end
 of the week & will then commence
 loading goods for Hong Kong.
 I have about half a cargo about 1000
 respect to make a freight of 1000. The
 Chinese will be the first ready to be
 to be towed from the ship to the wharf.

again all the work done & all materials
furnished except Metal & nails, for the
sum of \$1050." I am thankful, on
the spot myself & my Carpenter, who is
very efficient, the work is done
before it is paid & I am satisfied the
work is being well done. I have about
half enough money in hand to pay, in bills,
& drafts. I have promised to take
my own draft upon myself, payable at
Bos. King for the balance so that I will
not have to draw upon you. I will probably
have a small balance to send you from N.H.

I am now very tired having been hard
at work all day - will therefore close
with these few lines of fact & will
write you again per next mail -

Please address me at Bos. King -
& inform me how the insurance stands.

I would like to have you over mine
in the same ratio you do your own -

Respectfully yours

Wm. Rock

I have been thinking of you very much lately
 and wondering how you are getting on.
 I hope you are well and happy.
 I have been very busy lately
 but I have managed to find some time
 to write you a few lines.
 I have been thinking of you very much lately
 and wondering how you are getting on.
 I hope you are well and happy.
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Yours affectionately

John Brown



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Singapore of March 1868
 Henry Hastings Esq.
 London
 My Dear Sir,
 By the
 arrival of the China Mail this day I am
 in receipt of your two very kind letters
 Dec 26th & Jan 2nd which were forwarded me
 by Mr. Elphinstone Esq. from Hong Kong -
 I probably being in Europe, you will not have
 heard from the letter I mailed here the 1st inst.
 giving particulars of my doings here. I will
 therefore mention to you that I was obliged
 to come here for the purpose of summing
 up which I have done in good shape at a cost
 of about Fort, ten thousand dollars. Although
 the Surveyors in China condemned the ship
 as being unfit to load tea on account of
 her Copper being bad, I nevertheless thought
 it best to come along down to Bangkok at
 which place I arrived safely - at that port
 I hastened before the actual condition
 of the ship could become known, & sold out
 my cargo for two thousand dollars - with
 which sum I came here to put the ship in
 good order & then next loading for China

I will make quite a good freight. The old
 Metal that I took off, and the present I
 ever saw. I think it was entirely too
 light in the first place, much of it being
 branded 14 & 16. I should find none heavier
 than 22 lb. - You will observe by the copy
 of the letter I send to Berlin to say what
 I have said in regard to this. I think
 the Rice Trade, loading on our own account,
 would give us as good business, as any
 thing we could do with the "Midnight".
 The price ranges, according to the season
 from 2 1/4 to 1 1/2 cts per lb. delivered alongside.
 Please think of this matter & give me
 your views. The ship is in good
 order. I can be run several years, if
 no unforeseen accident occurs, although I
 think it will pay, when this outfit of Metal
 is worn out, to give her a thorough over-
 hauling & repairs, as there is always
 great danger, in these parts, of keeping
 an old ship picked to pieces by the
 Confounded Long Snappers. She is a
 perfect nuisance. By getting liberally
 & using considerable power, with more or
 less Blarney, I have managed thus far
 to keep her handy off the "Midnight".
 It keeps a man in complete fear & perplexity

all the time he is sailing from these ports -
 particularly in an old ship - because if
 one of them refuses a good report - the
 local officers will not insure & consequently
 merchants will not employ them.

For instance in your letter having sent
 me several letters, which I have not
 acknowledged - I have not received in
 all, three letters from Boston, (beside those
 for your Paris) & I have in each case hastened
 and answered them - there seems to be
 great uncertainty in the arrangement of
 the mails out here - as I have only received
 three out of about twenty - that my wife has sent
 me this voyage. The Chief Mate is one
 I procured in Shanghai a capable man.

The Russian I still have on board &
 he is a smart fellow and talks quite good
 English now. When I was in Pootchew I
 heard accidentally of the destruction by
 fire of the "Summit" & I have been
 more than usual, careful ever since,
 thinking it would be rather hard for you,
 if two of your fleet should come short in
 one year & you may depend upon my using
 every precaution possible to keep the "Midnight"
 out of harm. In regard to the future,
 I shall try & do that which seems for the best.

Should rather be in your way than
 when I was there. I think last it will
 be best for me to be at once. & if I
 do so I will attend to your several orders.
 I tried my utmost all the way to keep
 my bills as low as I could be, but still
 with the paper and being of the ship &
 shall continue to do so. I expect to
 have quite a balance to send you from
 Hong Kong, after paying for bills here and
 there. I shall not get out of London
 of the letter I send to London & hope to
 hear from you quite often.
 Hoping this will find you quite well
 & that my things will be in satisfaction
 to you. I am, dear friend, your Obedt Servant

J. M. Brock
 of letter sent to
 to Boston

H. W. V. L. & Co.

D. C. 1867

130 N. 1st St.

Boston

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Aug 2nd 1877

Wm Richardson Esq

569 Hudson St New York N.Y.

Dear Sir

Your check for \$60. Fifty Dollars
at home. Endowment has been made

on your note this

to interest paid up to July 1 "1877"

Respectfully Yours

Geo H. Brock



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D^r Captⁿ Geo. H. Brock & Comm^r Amership Midnight.
in ap with Roushead & Co.

1868

Feb^y 28 To bill for Yellow Metal & Nails \$2516.03

March 10 . Light Dues in 11.90

do out 11.90

Stamps & Postages 10.65

paid Cash to Captⁿ Brock 50. —

Marine Insurance on \$2200 balance
of debts against total loss } 20.63

Policy fee & Stamps ^{1 1/2 %} 4.30

\$2625.41

Comm^r on Int. sent to Hongkong
on \$7300 @ 2 1/2 % 182.50

\$2807.91

On

4 By Cash from Capt Brock \$700. —

19 Captⁿ Geo. H. Brock's draft
on himself p^{aid} three days
after arrival of Midnight
in Hongkong \$2195.74 @ 4 % Int. 2107.91

\$2807.91

E. & O. B.

Correct & vouchers recd

Singapore 19 March 1868

Roushead & Co

Geo. H. Brock

My dear

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Singapore March 19 1868
 Messrs H. Hastings & Co
 Boston {
 Gentlemen

I have the pleasure of reporting the "Midnight" loaded & for Hong Kong, with a freight list of \$7306.84 & will sail tomorrow morning early. The most of my Cargo goes by weight & it is presumed that same will weigh out much more than the Chinese Consignees have given in, - in that case our freight list will swell somewhat. I have done, better than any of the Ships in the berth getting better dispatch & a more desirable cargo -

The M. is now in good order for any kind of business - I send you with my vouchers - a copy of Ambeyers report by which you will see how she stands here & same may be of use to you if needed to keep her rate good at the American Legation Agency in Hong Kong -

As you will notice by the Account herein I have settled my bill here by draft on myself, payable after arrival at Hong Kong & hope to have a good balance to remit you from that port. Enclosed I send you my Account current with vouchers for same - also copy of account with Messrs Bonstead & Co at this place -

The Messrs Bonstead & Co have acted well for me & I am highly pleased with them - I wrote yesterday to Mr Hastings at London - but shall not write him today -

Trusting this will find you all well & prove satisfactory I remain Yours Obedient servant
 G. W. Brock

Wm. W. Woodbury Esq.
Boston
Singapore March 19 1868

Friend

I have the pleasure of replying to the "Minister's" letter of the 10th inst. with a freight bill of \$30.00 & will send the necessary accompanying card. The cost of Mr. Camp's goods by freight & its insurance that I have will weigh out much more than the Chinese Consignees have given in - in that case our freight cost will be well covered. I have also, better than any of the ships in the port getting better facilities to move Chinese goods - Mr. W. is now in front order for our share of business - I send you with Mr. Woodbury a copy of his letter of the 10th inst. which you will see has been forwarded to him & I have very few of use to you if needed to keep his order for the Chinese Consignees of goods in England - As you will notice by the account enclosed I have settled up with him of goods in England together with the balance at Hong Kong & also where a few balances to account for from that port. Enclosed I send you my account with him for same - also list of account with Mr. Woodbury at the present time. The above account is a balance with Mr. Woodbury & I am highly pleased with them - I have sent them to the Consignees at London - but shall not write him to day -

Respectfully, this will find you all well & have labored for your common good.
Wm. W. Woodbury

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Ship *Midnight* & Crew in *Yacht*
 1868 *J. W. Brock* Dr

March	To Bill of P & Dock Co	1	1566.31 -
	Virgin Dr	2	24.60 -
	Cannage at Dock	3	15. "
	Surveys	4	16. "
	Stores &c	5	367.50 -
	Consulate	6	8.38
	Hospital	7	2.50 -
	Dubash - Stores &c	8	231.95 -
	Cash for Bounty &c		700. "
	Expense at Bangkok		17. -
			<u>2949.24</u>

Cr By Cash Rec^d for Sale of
 Charter at Bangkok — 2000.
 do by Sale of Old Metal — 899.24
 Cash rec^d from Bounty &c 50 2949.24

E. & O. C. Singapore 19th March 1868

J. W. Brock

This account is in Euro - 60 - balance in sol^d of eff^r -

Billed - 890 60
 Sec^d do 9.24
 in account - 899 84
 balance due ship - 60

Dr. J. W. Wright & Son in Bank
for W. B. B. B.

1500.31	1	To Dr. J. W. Wright & Son
24.00	5	By Cash
18.00	3	By Cash
10.00	4	By Cash
36.70	5	By Cash
8.00	1	By Cash
2.00	1	By Cash
231.92	2	By Cash
700.00		By Cash
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the ship as soon as I get the cargo all
out. I received a letter from a friend
from London dated 10th of the 11th. He says
the Captain is just going to leave the
Mauritius for home, but that the ship is
to put back to Jamaica. As I expect
I cannot get away before I will have to
go. I will look for the ship as far as
possible from Mauritius, but I cannot
be sure.

The ship is a fine looking vessel
and I am not sure that I
have seen better. I will
say with all deference, that I think
you have a great mistake in getting her
up for home. In my opinion she is
throughout a house on the off-shoot
for Cabin would make her more comfortable
and she would be more profitable. As you
mentioned in the letter I received from
London & Paris, that you would permit
removing the ship about some distance to
and send her to your home, I will
a copy of the letter I received from
you full of kind words, no other words.

Long Kongsin 2708
 Muth. Dusted 200
 Singapore

I received this forenoon your
 favor per Cym under date of
 April 18th - enclosing Bill for
 \$108.17 - purporting to show a
 mistake in the original account
 rendered me for Metal furnished.
 With all deference Gents
 I must say that I think you
 are mistaken. At the time
 of receiving these cases you
 speak of marked C. we opened
 them - sufficiently to ascertain
 the fact of stain - they were then
 closed & a copy of your way bill
 entered in the Log Book - viz.

no. 55-94. Sheets 26 of
 " 49-40 " 3
 " 50-89 " 1
 " 52-84 " 1
 " 25-68 " 22
 " 30-59 " 1
 " 31-96 " 1
 " 11-61 " 20

you will observe from this account
 that there were no whole cases

My dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst.
in relation to the account of the
expenses of the late
General's funeral.

I have the honor to inform you that the
expenses of the late General's funeral
amount to the sum of \$100.00
which is the amount of the bill
presented to me for that purpose.
I have the honor to enclose herewith
a copy of the bill for your perusal.
I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Wm. H. H. H.

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expenses of the late General's funeral
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I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
Wm. H. H. H.

in the lot at agh. When you
sent to the ship to receive these
eight cases back. I happened to
be there myself. You at first
objected to receive them until
they were opened. They were therefore
opened and he counted the sheets
in each case before me as well
as my chief officer, checking
each lot as it was finished, before
the original way bill, which was
given him for that purpose and
which he retained. Giving us a
receipt for same which I find
corresponds with the above account.
Having that receipt now in file.

Being Mail day I am quite
busy & cannot give the matter
much time. But I will look over
all our accounts, and let you
know the result as soon as may
be practicable. Hoping to hear
per return mail that you have
discovered a mistake in your
own accounts. I remain yours
Yours Obedient servant

L. B. Brock

P.S. Cargo three meters in hand
overrunning considerably in
weight. 24th

22. The first of the two
 copies of the original
 manuscript is in the
 possession of the
 British Museum. The
 second copy is in the
 possession of the
 Library of the
 University of
 Cambridge. The
 original manuscript
 is in the possession
 of the British Museum.

upon my business, who will
do so. I have no objection
to the loss of the ship, but I
am sure I shall be able to
recover sufficient to replace
the average claim to replace
nearly all actual loss. At
present I have not fixed

I drop you a line merely to inform
you that I have little or nothing
on my mind at this present
moment. My things are not yet
being all out. I have not been
able to do much ship, and I
can give you no further news
upon that subject. I shall probably
get through next week.

I do not anticipate much
expense on the bottom, as I
think she only touched upon
her keel. I will probably
recover sufficient to replace
the average claim to replace
nearly all actual loss. At
present I have not fixed

Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above mentioned matter. I am sorry to hear that you are not satisfied with the result of the investigation. I have been very anxious to get the matter settled as soon as possible, and I have been very careful to follow the proper course. I have been very much surprised to find that the result of the investigation is not satisfactory to you. I have been very much surprised to find that the result of the investigation is not satisfactory to you. I have been very much surprised to find that the result of the investigation is not satisfactory to you.

upon any business, hope to
 do something next week.
 Just now we are having
 very much rainy weather, which
 rather retards work upon
 cargo. I hope to find
 that when we are all quite well,
 and hoping this will find
 you all in the same
 promising condition. I
 do remain gentlemen respectively
 your obedient servant
 that the best yet. Capt. Brock
 care P.S. I do not write to Mr. Lye
 as to European addresses, because
 as his ship's company will have
 it before the time reach
 England. I am, however,
 your best friend and one of the

upon my business, I hope to
 be doing something right soon.
 Just now we are doing
 much more than we are doing
 better and better and better

Corp.
 We are all united
 and hoping that will find
 you all in the same
 promising business
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 your business business

P.S. I do not want to be
 to business and my name
 as far as my name and name
 appear before the business
 him

other things. I don't know
 but there is a great deal of
 damage to the ship. I am
 My Dear Mr. Nicholas

The ship is now in dock & I find
 that about all the damage
 was sustained by the keel. I
 can hardly tell you the whole
 amount of damage yet, as the
 dock is not quite dry. Will
 you kindly inform Capt. Cudde-
 that he must get here at the
 earliest practicable moment
 as I can do nothing about
 repairing the keel, prior to
 its being surveyed. Should any-
 thing prevent him from coming
 you had better send one of the

My dear Mr. Jackson
 I have the honor to acknowledge
 the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst.
 in relation to the purchase of
 land for the purpose of
 building a school house for the
 benefit of the colored people of
 the city of New Orleans.
 I am very glad to hear that
 you are so interested in the
 cause of education for the
 colored people of this city.
 I have no objection to the
 purchase of the land for the
 purpose of building a school
 house for the colored people
 of the city of New Orleans.
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 your obedient servant,
 J. M. Smith

other drawings. I don't know
 that there is much choice in
 them but I will leave that
 to you. I Of course I had
 a drawing of the old one. You
 like it. I don't. but I do not
 wish to lose some of my
 time. I shall not communicate
 with Mr. Hastings. I shall not
 I will thank you to report the
 progress. I don't know
 I will. Hoping to see you in
 a day or two at farthest I
 remain Respectfully, Yours

J. H. Brock

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours,
 J. N. B.

It is this day agreed by
 "A. C. Sen - Carpenter - to
 thoroughly ~~have~~ the seams
 on the outside - & I am the same
 to my satisfaction - finding
 his own staves, &c. - the
 ship finding out the
 split for the seams - the
 whole to be done for
 Thirty Five Dollars.

In W. A. Rock

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It is this day agreed by
 the Court that the Court
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 to say before the Court
 this day, and the Court
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John W. Brown

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I had not time to send
 a line off. Long Hug, May 26th 1868
 Mrs. Henry Hastings, Boston
 I wrote you last the 30th inst.
 since which I have been at
 the ship in dock, repaired all
 damages & returned to this port
 the 19th inst. I found as I had
 anticipated the entire damage
 confined to keel of which the
 lower section was considerably
 chafed & broken & about thirty
 feet of the upper section from
 caul five feet aft also much worn
 thus off. It was not however
 necessary to take out any of
 them inasmuch as there was a
 plenty of good solid wood to
 fasten to & work upon. Accordingly

I have been thinking of you
 very much lately & wondering
 how you are getting on. I
 hope you are well & happy.
 I have been very busy lately
 but I have managed to find
 some time to write to you.
 I have been thinking of you
 very much lately & wondering
 how you are getting on. I
 hope you are well & happy.
 I have been very busy lately
 but I have managed to find
 some time to write to you.

I had all the damaged wood
 cleaned off, the bolts properly
 clinched, & a solid piece bolted
 on again; making that part
 of keel of the same thickness
 as the rest after same had
 been cleaned off. And then a
 shoe of four inches in thickness
 spiked on the entire length
 of the ship. The bottoms of
 the ship was all right not
 showing as much as one
 wrinkle, on any part of it.
 After finishing the keel, I
 had the garboard thoroughly
 caulked, previous to letting
 the ship down on to the keel
 blocks & now she seems tighter
 than ever. & I think I can
 report the "Midnight" as being

When all the company
 became off, the boat
 started, & a little while
 or again, making that part
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 in the boat of the same
 been. became off, but there a
 those of your mother in
 of the boat. The bottom of
 the ship, but all right. Not
 showing as much as one
 wanted, or any part of it.
 After finishing the boat, I
 have the passage through
 current, passing to the
 the ship down on to the
 the ship & then the same
 from over of the same
 respect the same

in first class order for
 my kind of business.
 You will probably have
 heard through Messrs. Hunt &
 the fact of my having concluded
 the charter for San Francisco
 the day before I went up to
 Hongkong, for the sum of
 fifty thousand in gold -
 payable at S. F. - after delivery
 of cargo. This seemed to be
 the best thing in the market.
 It is my intention, unless
 you think differently, as soon
 as I may have completed this
 engagement to return with
 all possible expedition to
 China & load sea for the
 United States, Mr. Messrs. O. having
 promised to give me a cargo
 of goods.

I have been thinking of writing
 to you for some time but have
 been so busy that I could not
 find time. I am now in the
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 with my work. I have been
 thinking of writing to you for
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 been very busy with my work.

from one of the leading parties, 26th M^o
 with the best sale, the market
 affords; & they are anxious
 to have me do so. I can
 not give you in this mail
 the amount of my bills, as
 they are all now in the hands
 of the adjuster of average;
 but I presume all will
 be ready to send forward
 per the mail of the 29th inst.

I rec^d p^r last mail under
 cover to O^r a letter from
 H. N. Esq. dated Paris Apr^l 18th
 the contents of which will have
 my particular attention.

I am now loading, & hope
 we are all well, & hoping this
 mail find you all in the same
 delectable condition. I remain
 gentlemen your obedient servant
 Geo. H. Brock

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Hong Kong May 26th 1868
 Henry Hastings Esq
 100 North State St
 Boston
 My Dear Sir -
 I addressed a few lines to the
 house yesterday per French
 Mail, giving a general idea
 of matters. As the mail per
 "China" closes shortly I have
 thought perhaps a few lines in
 reply to your pleasant letter
 of April 10 would be acceptable.
 I feel glad to hear that my
 acts at Bangkok & Singapore
 are met with your approval & it is
 a subject sorely grieving to
 me - after having so boastfully
 intimated that you might rest
 quite easy about the Midnight
 as to think that I should so soon

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to think that I should be so
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intimated that you might read
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a subject, & so precious to
me with your approval & it is
act, at Dayton & Michigan
I feel glad to hear that you
of spirit to know & be expected.
concern to your pleasant letter
thought perhaps a few lines in
"Chimney" clay about I have
of matter. As the mail goes
I will give a general view
house yesterday, for I have
I believe a few lines to the
My Dear Sir -

after that, find myself in
troubled water. — But regrets
never get paid the bills,
therefore having got into
a scrape the next thing is
to see how well I can get
out of it. The ship is now
in actually better condition
than she was before; than
she has been in fact for
years. I can't as yet tell
you, how much I shall
recover, upon the average, but
I think to get enough to go
a long way toward a settlement.

I expect to get all closed
up before the next mail.

I shall send you all the
documents, properly certified
as soon as I can get them

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to the Sandwich
way over you

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of coal to be
in London

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 after that point I shall

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ready. — I am now loading
quite rapidly, to day, for San-
Francisco, & I think the
best thing I can do after
completing this engagement,
will be, to return this way,
even if I have to do so in
ballast, as Oliphant also
wishes to load
me for Macquarie & will give
me the best rates going.
I could probably get some
little freight by calling in
to the Sandwich Islands on the
way back, & not lose much time.
It is possible that I might
be ordered for Australia, in
that case I would take a cargo
of coal to Shanghai & then be
in a position for a load of Tea —

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should greatly differ, I am ready to follow any other course you may suggest.

If you direct your letters to the care of Messrs. Dewitt, Kirt & Co. I will call there & get them. I have ordered the set of crockery for Mr. C. Hastings, which I shall take on board. I will also attend to your little Commission before leaving China.

The John Wooster is most probably near Singapore. If well handled she will be a profitable vessel, on this coast. She is a fine vessel, although I do not fancy her arrangements. Hoping your health is now quite good I remain, my dear Sir,

Respectfully Yours — G. W. Brock

Long Kong 1868
 Messrs. Boulton & Co.
 Singapore

Gentlemen
 I write you last
 April 30th in answer to yours of the 18th inst. and
 should have written you again before this, but I have
 been looking, each mail for another letter from
 you informing me that you had discovered the
 mistake in your account. I have not
 received. Since writing you last I have carefully
 looked over all my accounts and I find nothing
 therein contained to warrant the supposition of
 error. On the other hand I find that the statement
 or entries in the Log Book fully corroborated by the
 receipts, which the mate now has in file as explained
 in my last. — Furthermore when on the dock a few days
 since — in consequence of having been ashore — I took the
 opportunity of counting the number of sheets of
 metal in the bottom of the ship, which I found to agree
 with the Log Book exactly. I was therefore led
 to the conclusion Gentlemen, that you have had the
 correct account rendered of all the metal used for
 the Midnight. I will mention one circumstance
 to you, which I spoke of at the dock & which may perhaps
 have some bearing upon the matter. At the time
 that first lot of metal was sent to me, the clerk
 who came with it reported a break down of one of

The first lot of tickets was sent to me. The clerk
 has been hearing upon the matter. At the time
 to pay, which I spoke of at the time I said was perhaps
 at the time. I will mention the circumstances
 of the account of the ticket which was
 sent to the Collector. I am therefore
 with the 13th of March. I am therefore
 ticket on the bottom of the 13th. I am therefore
 opportunity of examining the number of tickets of
 since - in consequence of having been asked. I took the
 in my last. I mentioned why on the 13th a few days
 receipt, which the great sum that on the 13th as explained
 interest on the 13th. I said that the statement
 was. On the other hand I said that the statement
 of the Committee is wrong. The difficulty of
 tickets over all my accounts was I said nothing
 occurred. Since meeting on last I have compared
 the tickets in your account with my own. I have
 your information is that you had destroyed the
 been looking, each one for himself. I have
 should have written for again before the 13th. I had
 April 20th in answer to you of the 13th. I had

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The cargo on the way, and for a time a portion
of the metal did not reach the ship until the day
following - Per chance an engine into that matter
might throw some light upon the subject -

My cargo landed out as we had supposed
payable - about three hundred dollars in ex. ac. for

I took the trouble to weigh it every thing
and would always advise that unless I find
Commission upon the cargo, amounts to \$8.75 -
Eight dollars & twenty five cents - which I may
collect if you please for Capt. Munster of Bark
John Worcester - or I will leave same to your credit
with Miss Olyphant for in this place

Hoping gentlemen that you will have found
out your mistake and that all is well with you

I remain Respectfully yours

Geo. W. Doock -

P.S. - I am now loaded & will sail
in a few days for San Francisco. Am
Chartered at \$15000 -

G. W. B.

May New June 9 1882

Wm Brewster Esq
 New York
 Dear Sir

At the request of Capt Brook
 we have examined his log book and the
 notices therein and except specially referred
 to in his letter of April 30th & this date, also
 read by us, and find the statement in
 the latter fully confirmed and corrected
 with the former. We are Dear Sir

Yours faithfully
 Wm Brewster

For Sale of the vessel
 Sloop "George" &c

By J. B. Adams

B. & C. May New June 9 1882

Wm Brewster

Midnight in the night of the 11th. Brock

1	to the 1st of January	26.00
2	to the 2nd of January	11.00
3	to the 3rd of January	22.00
4	to the 4th of January	14.70
5	to the 5th of January	218.24
6	to the 6th of January	34.00
7	to the 7th of January	1247.19
8	to the 8th of January	165.00
9	to the 9th of January	40.24
10	Cash to Officers from 1st date	507.93
11	Draft on Bank of India	1133.08
12	Cash in hand	100.00
	<u>Total</u>	<u>5204.00</u>

1	to the 1st of January	60
2	Cash drawn from Officer's 1st	5035.00
3	Rec'd from one Paper for	40
4	from sale of Old Metal	51
5	Surplus Cargo sold	78
	<u>Total</u>	<u>5204.00</u>

By Balance 100.00

C. H. C. Hong Kong Jan 11 1865
W. H. Brock

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My dear Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst.

and in reply to inform you that the sum of £2872. for the above mentioned

5000 pounds sterling, drawn on the Comptoir d'Escompte de

Paris, in your favor, payable

15 days after sight, which

you will please collect & place

to the credit of Messrs Henry

Hapting, of Boston, and

acknowledge them upon receipt.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Yours, Sir, very respectfully,

J. H. Brock

Henry King, Junr

Care of Messrs Henry Hastings & Co
Boston, Massachusetts

Enclosed herewith please find
my protest & extension of damage
surveyors reports on ship & upon the
Statement of average with
values attached & and all
the Vouchers connected with same
which have been paid by the
Messrs Olyphant & Co & charged
in ship's general account -

I have done the best I could
to keep bills low & have only
replaced actual losses - as far
in as same could be done here.

The ship is now in good order
& will be ready for sea in a few
days.

Respectfully Yours
Wm H. Brock

We have a small quantity of
goods collect at much from the
average statement given us we shall send off
of free! The ship is now in a good order
by kind of a royal warrant the ship Olyphant & Co
inspired to have one volume immediately this day

I have done the best I could
 to keep this but I have not
 of course a correct paper - copies
 in all hands but the above
 The ship is now in good order
 & will be ready for sea in a few
 days.

Respectedly Yours
 Wm. M. Brock

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in order to load her for home. The supposition
 however, that I am going home will be
 changed, I think, by the 11th of June 1868.
 I am going if I can to Boston & my wife
 otherwise I intend going home. I presume you
 will understand my object in making this letter
 somewhat private. I have forwarded all the
 papers vouchers &c stamped by the Messrs Offham &
 Co. which I believe are all complete & in order
 for use, if you desire to make a claim upon the
 underwriters. Although their stamp would indicate
 that they had paid all the bills themselves. Such
 in fact is hardly true as I have drawn the cash
 in each case, using only what was truly needed.
 I enclose with this, my account amount to date,
 not being ready for sea yet I am not entirely
 close my accounts but have put in the hands
 of Messrs O & Co several hundred dollars, enough
 probably to cover all my expenses here, that are
 not already provided for. I also hand you with
 this a copy of letter sent this day to Messrs Brown Shipley
 & Co. You will observe by my bills that I have
 had to purchase considerable quantities of Flour &c &c.
 I shall not however get any more than obliged to.
 You will observe that we have collected upon the average
 here \$1523.15. We have a claim as good as can be
 and if you collect as much from the underwriters as
 this average statement gives us we shall come off
 entirely free. The ship is now in excellent order
 for any kind of a voyage, and the Messrs Offham & Co
 are anxious to have me return immediately this way.

I am very sorry to hear of your illness and hope you will be able to return to your duties soon. I am sure you will find the weather very pleasant here. I am sure you will find the weather very pleasant here. I am sure you will find the weather very pleasant here.

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these
New York
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the ship
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in order to load tea for home. The supposition
here is, that freight, &c &c will be good for
New York. & Messrs O & Co promise me the best rate
going if I do return. And unless you order me
otherwise I intend doing so. My cargo is all
on board & we are now fitting for passengers with
the expectation of getting off during next week.

I have Cabin passengers engaged to the amount
of four hundred dollars, which makes the gross
amount of Charter money \$15,400.

Hearing been rather profuse in my promises
before leaving Singapore, I will only say now
that I will try & go safely, even if, in order to
do so, I have occasionally to sacrifice a night's
sleep. I can assure you, there is small comfort
to be derived from getting on shore, particularly
in the vicinity of this Coast. I have now on
board, the set of crockery you desired me to
get for Mr. E. Hastings - and Messrs O & Co have
sent up to their agents in Canton, to procure
for you the Vases & Fan you spoke of in your
last letter - which I shall also pay for & take on
board. I may possibly bring you also a few curios,
somewhat dependant upon circumstances however.

I shall call at Messrs. Smith & Co. for your
letters in San Francisco. I hope to hear that you
are all well. Trusting by this post that my
doings here, will have met your approbation, I
remain Respectfully your Obedient servant

Geo. H. Brock

in order to have the same done. The difference
 here is, that for the first time the
 subject of the paper is to be discussed
 going if the subject is not discussed
 otherwise I intend doing so. The paper is
 intended to be a new attempt for the purpose
 the expectation of getting off clearing up the
 subject. I have been engaged to the amount
 of four hundred dollars which makes the
 amount of the paper \$15,000.
 Having been rather profuse in my promises
 before leaving Singapore, I will not be long
 that I will try to go before the end of the month
 to do, I have accordingly to be done as early
 as I can spare for, that is, I shall be
 to be done from getting on the paper, I have
 in the evening of the 1st. I have
 board the set of another year leaving me to
 get for the 1st of the month - and I shall be
 sent up to their agents in London to procure
 for the 1st of the month & for the 1st of the month
 last letter - which I shall send to you & take care
 to send - I may possibly have some of the
 material dependent upon your opinion & answer.
 I shall call at Mr. Smith's office for your
 letter in due time - I hope to hear from you
 one or two -
 I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
 J. W. Smith

Henry King Junr
Messrs Brown Shipley & Co
London
Gentlemen

I have the pleasure to
have find second of exchange no
2872 for £250. Two hundred and
thirty five pounds sterling, drawn by
in a Comptoir de Escompte de Paris
and it is payable, payable sight, days
after sight at the Union Bank
of London, which you will
be an pleasure put to account of Messrs
or Henry Hastings Esq of Boston
forwarding them of same.

The first bill forward per
mail of the 11th inst.

Yours
£ 275
Respectfully yours

John P. Smith
Shipwright

[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text, likely bleed-through from the reverse side. The text appears to be a letter or a series of notes.]

Victoria B.C. May 19/68

June 19 - 1868

I hereby certify that I
have inspected the crew
and passengers of ship
"Midnight" amounting
in all to 390 adults
and declare them to be
free from any mental or
physical disease likely
to endanger the health
or safety of any one on
board -

W. Lockhead M.D.

Fee \$975

Hong Kong Jan 21st
 11 PM
 Messrs Messrs Hastings & Co
 Boston / Gents -

The "Midnight" is now
 ready for sea & I am
 making all calculations
 for starting off early in
 the morning. I have
 my lower hold full of
 cargo & stores and three
 hundred & fifty-eight Chinese
 passengers, between decks -
 besides a family in the
 Cabin - My charter &
 passengers aggregate \$13,400
 paid - the 2000 being paid
 here - balance payable in
 San Francisco. I write
 you quite fully per last mail

The "Wilmington" is now
 ready for the 1st of
 March. All calculations
 for starting off look in
 the morning. I have
 no longer the full of
 cargo & start now there
 forward & left-right
 fingers, between deck -
 below a hand in the
 cabin - off the water &
 fingers opposite 1370
 feet - the two-bump point
 here - balance payable in
 New Orleans. I wrote
 you quite full for last week

giving you account up to
 that date - Having also
 find my closing account
 & also the ye of Messrs
 Olyphant & Co. inclusive -
 Having Cabin Passages
 I have been obliged to
 purchase much more
 largely of stores, than
 would have been requisite
 otherwise, but I have
 expended no more than
 I was obliged to -

I have on board for you
 the two pair of Vases & a fan
 for Mrs H. also the set of
 China Ware for C^t Northrop.
 all of which are charged
 in the ye of O & Co -
 hope to hear upon arrival
 at San Francisco, that you

San Francisco Sept 26, 60
Bell & Harlow & Co
Purveyors Camp San Jacinto
Dear Sir,

Last night at a
late hour & about one of the Steamers of
C. Camp San Jacinto, having Range in
tow, caused one of the latter to collide
with my ship, thereby doing some
damage which will necessitate the
discharge of a portion of my cargo
in order to repair the damage.

Thruely
inform you that should the Company
responsible, be pleased to learn
from you, whether you will make
the requisite repairs, or if you
deare me to attend to same at
your expense. An immediate
reply, addressed to care of Messrs
& Hall & Light Co is respectfully
requested. Yours very truly

J. H. Brock
Master of Ship "Albion"

At New York, Oct 10
 My dear Sir
 I have the honor to acknowledge
 the receipt of your letter of the 9th
 inst. in relation to the
 purchase of the land for the
 purpose of building a
 school for the colored
 children of New York
 City. I am very glad to
 hear that you are
 interested in the
 cause, and I am sure
 that your efforts will
 be successful. I have
 the honor to be, Sir,
 your obedient servant,
 J. M. Smith

have collected a good number
from the *Induratus*. In accor-
dant of our accident. I
believe I sent all the
necessary papers done up
in the required shape -

As I mentioned in each
of my last letters, I am
making calculations upon
returning to this Coast, young
California as speedily as I
can - for the purpose of
loading Tea for New York -
All the Merchants here
predict good prospects for
Tea in America - & the
Messrs O & Co are extremely
anxious to load me - &
promise to do well by me.

This will be my course
unless ordered otherwise.

from the United States a great many
from the United States a great many
first of our account - I
believe I had not the
are very few, some up
in the opinion of those -
of my last letter I have
something calculated upon
returning to this last year
California as a special case
can - for the purpose of
making the first point -
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The 'Niell' is loaded
to a good trim for sailing
& I hope to make a good
report. Although safety
will be the one thought upper-
most in my mind.

Please inform me how
the ship's accounts stand
when you write me next.

Hoping that all is well
with you I remain
Respectfully Yours Obedient Son

J. H. Brock

The West is better
 to a good train following
 to hope to create a good
 report - Although I
 will be the one through
 want in my mind
 to give you a good
 the ship's account should
 when you write me next -
 I hope that all is well
 with you & remain
 Yours affectionately
 John H. Weeks

Ye of Whitingham & Co.

Whole Amount of money paid
him including forty five dollars
paid his wife in advance is

\$219.44 Two hundred nineteen and 44/100
Dollars - To this amount the
half pay given his wife monthly
must be added.

His wages for the whole time in
ship Amount to \$528.00
the difference is 308.56

From this Amount deduct the
Amount paid his wife monthly
since June 1st 1867 & pay him
the balance -

On K. B. B. B.
Ship Whitingham
To the Treasurer of the
Ship

To the Honble Secy of the Navy
 Washington
 Sir
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the late Mr. [Name] and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 [Signature]
 [Name]
 [Title]

Dear Sir,
 Messrs. H. & Co. Agents for the

Boston & New York
 I have the pleasure to inform you
 of my safe arrival at this port
 last evening, which information I
 sent you by Mr. [?] that a ve-
 ry happy had fine weather, though
 the entire length of my passage
 was [?] made some little
 [?] [?] [?] [?] [?] [?] [?]
 the opinion that those who [?]
 in the way of purchasing [?] will
 hardly give up as much as the
 [?] [?] for the [?]

I have not had time enough yet to
 fully learn the freight market
 I beg to acknowledge the
 receipt of your favor under date of
 July 10th [?] [?] [?]
 Yours Respectfully, [?]

[?]

San Francisco Aug 21st 1861

Miss H. Hastings & Co.

Boston {

I addressed you last the 12th inst
advising you of my safe arrival here
etc. - Before sending you my
Telegram of the 17th inst. I had quite
thoroughly tried to get a sufficient
offer for the ship - but twenty-five
thousand dollars was the best one I
could get. Could I have received
an answer from you during all day
the 21st I might have done better
than I have, inasmuch as a party
offered me, that morning, good for
all day, twenty dollars for New York - but
the same individual obtained a ship
Monday much cheaper - yesterday
nineteen dollars was the best I could
do, at which rate I concluded a
charter, with ship, Ball & Newton -

Dear Mr. Hastings
 Boston
 I have just received your letter of the 12th inst.
 advising you of my wife's arrival here
 etc. Before sending you my
 telegram of the 17th inst. I had sent
 throughly tried to get a sufficient
 offer for the ship but without success
 thousand dollars and the best we
 could get. Since I have received
 one hundred for your share all day
 the 21st I might have done better
 than I have, increased as a half
 offered me, that morning, great for
 our day, but I was for thought but
 the same instrument obtained a half
 money, much cheaper. Yesterday
 another offer was the best I have
 as at which only I was offered a
 character, with half that number

I am - for Boston, and think
 sufficient for the winter -
 I shall be able to get along
 in about the way of last year.
 The fact was decided - I have
 from the Customs Office as much of
 leave not yet received the return
 of my large amount, however, but
 I fear that the office will
 take time, but I will try to
 get it done by the end of the
 month.

your favor of 7th May the contents of which I enclose
closed. - Your action in regard to my own
insurance is perfectly satisfactory - I am
a little sorry that your own was withdrawn before
the accident which befell the ship as the share
would seem to be a good one for recovery - I shall
dwell that I

can be
expected to
have as usual
will use my best
endeavors
I am do to
be as usual
in my best
endeavors to
spending
anything
more
It does not
look to me
as though
there can be
as much money
in this
charter as
might be in
a voyage
to Shanghai
the sound with
lumber
& other
to be packed
with tea. I
hope
it may
prove
different

Trusting this will find you all
well I remain
Yours
G. M. Brown

the fact of the existence of which is
 clear - from a certain in regard to
 appearance is perfectly satisfactory - I am
 at the time that you are and will be
 the account of the ship as the
 vessel been for a few days - I shall
 about that I

can be
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the fact of the existence of which is
 clear - from a certain in regard to
 appearance is perfectly satisfactory - I am
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 vessel been for a few days - I shall
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The day after I had
 the day having found nothing
 from the other things I found
 he will be very kind in
 morning by Chief Officer
 cannot be found to drink to
 but my idea. I consequently
 informed him that he might
 live. & I shall pay him off to-
 night. I have made arrangements
 for the day and he will come on board
 to present in trials. He is a native
 of Cape Cod & highly spoken of.
 I have met the only individual
 who came out in the ship, that
 will return in her, & discharged
 my steward soon after he arrived
 home giving him one hundred
 dollars in currency & a letter to
 my wife showing just that his
 account stands in my book &
 instructed her to deduct the same

The first thing I did was to
 go to the office and see
 what was going on. I found
 everything in a state of
 confusion. The papers were
 all over the place and the
 files were not in order.
 I then went to the bank
 and saw the manager. He
 told me that the money
 was all right but that the
 interest was not being paid.
 I then went to the court
 and saw the judge. He
 told me that the case was
 not yet decided and that
 I would have to wait for
 some time. I then went
 to the office and saw the
 clerk. He told me that the
 papers were all right but
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 to the office and saw the
 clerk. He told me that the
 papers were all right but
 that the files were not in
 order.

The boat given his safe as half pay
 when I get sufficient funds from
 you I will think to go down off - at
 you will please advance her what
 is needed. I have got to go on
 West Point & Huron. But had
 as usual do my best not to spend
 any more, than absolutely obliged
 to. I hope that the money will
 not follow me too closely.

I telegraphed you soon after
 I had concluded my charter
 which I presume you thought
 right. Since then freight here
 has been very brisk.

Hoping this will find you
 all well. I am again settling in town
 your Obedient servant.

If I can get ~~any~~ ^{any} ~~more~~ ^{more} ~~money~~ ^{money}
 sent I will try.

Geo. H. Brock
 Sept. 11th 1861

My dear friend
 I have just received
 your letter of the 10th inst.
 and am glad to hear
 that you are well.
 I am at present
 in the city of New York
 and am very busy.
 I hope to be able to
 visit you in the near
 future.
 I am very truly
 your friend
 J. M. Smith

Sept 7th

Capt. Falconer Vail

How much water inside berth at
last timeSept 12th

Geo. H. Brock

Capt. J. Friedlander

Vail Sept 12th

J. Friedlander

Midnight - repairs town; - rice tons

no certain - of balance

If can get balance in San Francisco
sent Steam-tug

Geo. H. Brock

Sept Midnight

I have been thinking of you
 and wondering how you are getting on.
 I hope you are well and happy.
 I have been very busy lately
 but I have managed to find some time
 to write you a few lines.
 I am very fond of you and
 hope you will be the same.
 I have been thinking of you
 and wondering how you are getting on.
 I hope you are well and happy.
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 but I have managed to find some time
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 to write you a few lines.
 I am very fond of you and
 hope you will be the same.

The first of these is the
 fact that the number of
 the population of the
 country is increasing.

The second is the fact
 that the number of the
 population of the country
 is increasing.

The third is the fact
 that the number of the
 population of the country
 is increasing.

The fourth is the fact
 that the number of the
 population of the country
 is increasing.

The fifth is the fact
 that the number of the
 population of the country
 is increasing.

Still at anchor in San Francisco Bay
 in M. H. Hastings & Co.
 docked at the wharf in Boston
 Being more more richly
 I hasten to inform you of
 Last Monday afternoon
 I came down from Valley all
 loaded. Though the day Tuesday
 I had got about half of my
 crew engaged. Several of
 them on board, having received
 their advances. Tuesday, last
 night at about eight o'clock
 a steamer proceeding across
 the bay with some large barges
 loaded with which managed to
 lay one of them direct, and
 at my bow, about a hundred
 cords. Considerable damage
 to our ship, and some

to our friends
 having been
 very poor, almost destitute
 they are of them this is a
 house with which we are
 to be with four large
 rooms for our
 C. The house is
 right at about eight o'clock
 their entrance. The
 there are four, being
 great success. I am
 I have got about half of my
 books. I thought it was
 I have done for help, all
 time. I am
 I have to inform you of
 being Mrs. Anne
 Boston

tell how much damage it
is so much under water. I
have engaged a wharf & will
dock to enable me to work
to lighten the forward end
enough to repair. The lower
buttress plate was torn entirely
off & all of the gripe that I
can see is gone, & the main
stem badly torn. The ship
does not make any water in
consequence, & that I find
that I can repair damages
without entirely discharging
my cargo. I shall make a
claim immediately against
the Steamer Company who had
the cargo in tow. As soon
as possible I will again
communicate to you the
extent of damage etc etc -

that I have never been
 in the least
 have engaged a ship & will
 stick to the point of the
 to lighten the forward
 enough to clear the
 possibly that the
 off all of the people that
 are in the
 them half town. The ship
 does not make any water in
 any circumstances, that I find
 that I can not
 without entirely
 my ship. I shall make a
 plan to move against
 the steam Company
 the cargo in the
 as possible I will again
 communicate to you the
 extent of damage etc etc

The Amount of Advances
paid crew is about ~~eight~~ ^{thirteen}
dollars - & I am apprehensive
a portion of that will be lost.

This trouble will necessitate
my drawing upon you for more
money, which I regret much.
You will at once see that no
blame attaches to us - as we
had a good bright light up
when this accident occurred
& could do nothing to prevent
same. — I am loaded
as deeply as the surgeons
would allow me. viz 17.3 Meas.
& have in 1155 tons net.
would have sailed this PM
had all gone right

I remain in some haste
Respectfully Yours
Gust Brock

I have been thinking of you
 very much lately, and
 wondering how you are
 getting on. I hope you
 are well and happy.
 I am, as usual, very
 much interested in
 the progress of the
 cause, and hope to
 hear from you soon.
 I am, dear friend,
 ever your affectionate
 friend,
 Wm. Lloyd Garrison

San Francisco 11th
 Sept 1854
 Mr. H. Hastings
 Boston
 Dear Sir
 I received your letter of the
 10th inst. of being damaged in
 office by the explosion of a steam boiler
 the explosion of a steam boiler belonging to the West
 the morning. I succeeded in getting the
 the vessel ship berthed in the wharf, and
 all repairs immediately discharging cargo in
 morning, working to lighten the ship, enough
 had a crane used to make the necessary repairs
 of the boiler upon the stem. I have been obliged
 to raise to put out over four hundred tons
 of wheat in order to reach low enough.
 None of the wheat will be in & they are
 now having for bolting & I expect
 all will be done this P.M. ready
 for me to commence tomorrow
 with the steamer.

I then I thought I would for
 to have the bag bag again.
 I then I thought I would for
 the damage and notified the bag bag
 Steam Navigation Co. that I held
 them responsible for all damages
 etc. etc. - I during the day following
 Mr. Kittle & self called at the Co's
 office - but they positively refused
 the assumption of responsibility - in
 the matter, saying however that
 they would see us about it after
 all repairs were completed. This
 morning Mr. Kittle & self again
 held a conference with the officers
 of the Company, during which we
 succeeded in obtaining a partial
 compromise. They gave us \$950.
 Nine hundred & fifty dollars as an
 ultimatum on their part - in
 order to avoid another suit at
 law, with the advice of Mr

[illegible]

Kitter I think it wiser for
us to accept this sum as a
contribution than to attempt a
suit - facing a portion of the loss
ourselves. I am not as yet
quite a correct estimate of actual
expense, but imagine that the
money we have rec^d from them
will about half cover expenditure.

Mr Kitter is attending to all
matters & I shall see that
no more money is expended than
absolutely necessary.

I shall advise you further as
soon as all is completed.

I remain, Dear Sir, Respectfully

Yours

Wm. D. Smith

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My dear Mr. [unclear]

Dear Sir,

I have the pleasure

to inform you

last, the 22nd inst. giving you a general
idea of my [unclear] - I have now to report
it. [unclear] ready for sea [unclear] and
for the more handy, that [unclear] [unclear]
they are. As soon as I get them off
I shall at once proceed to sea in [unclear]

The finished repair of [unclear] our [unclear]
Thursday [unclear] - I [unclear] finished loading
again the same day, going into the [unclear]
the next morning. I [unclear] [unclear] in
my previous letter. All the [unclear] I had on
board [unclear] as soon as [unclear] [unclear]
to the [unclear] - I [unclear] [unclear] in

Explaining [unclear] of them, but it [unclear] [unclear]
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[Faint, mostly illegible handwritten text on the right page, continuing from the left page.]

I have just received from Mr. Little a copy of the
 draft on you for the amount of \$100. I feel
 under great obligations to Mr. Little for his
 assistance in settling up this affair. I am
 well satisfied that with his valuable aid,
 we should have been led into an expensive
 lawsuit. The Company paid us 75 dollars
 for our copy of the original of the same and
 is a trifle more than that sum. We have
 been careful in having the paper, and good of
 the. Should be for general coverage when the
 ship arrives at New York & the bill be forwarded
 to you at once. I send you this with a sum
 account amount of much of the same. I am
 Mr. Little's. I believe the same will come with me
 to New York. The Standard dollars in gold
 the same as the New York. I have to the Commission
 1843. The was particularly provided me of the gentleman
 did not understand that same should be used for my own
 benefit, that if he wanted to credit of passage, a count
 in the of the passage of my mother. I am
 The ship will be quite safe but I trust to make a good
 passage. I am very much obliged to you for the
 help and I am afraid, under a poor one. It being
 impossible to obtain your services. Although I
 have to pay a great deal of money, and large advances
 we have to put up with you think at that
 point of view.

I have been thinking of you very much lately, and
 wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are
 well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but
 I have managed to find some time to write to you.
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 well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but
 I have managed to find some time to write to you.

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 Mr.
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 man
 your

10 A M. Saturday

Our man shut up, but have a prospect
of getting off soon. I have given
Mr. Brown Kittle a draft on you at sight
for 1841 77/100 - Eighteen hundred and forty one
Dollars - which settles all accounts - -

The greatest & most insatiable
item is advances & bonus paid for shipping
board - but I can do no other wise as all
the ships put out are made out for people per
man & wage advance - besides.

I have used my best endeavors to keep
my bills down - but as you know by papers here
particular in grain ship, as ever.

Trusting your business that my duties may prove
satisfactory, I remain Respectfully,
Your obedient servant

En O. Brock

10 to Mr. [illegible]
 On [illegible] about [illegible], but have [illegible]
 of [illegible] off [illegible]. I have [illegible]
 this [illegible] to a [illegible] in [illegible]
 Jan 1841 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
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night of my staying is but, & I am prepared
 on my return. When I left Chinchester
 it was my intention to get a new
 man, and to go to the West Indies
 duty, & then I went back again, & got the
 same man, & I mentioned the matter to you
 when I was here, but I thought it would be
 managed to get the man, & I am the happier
 in case we shall have it, & I would be happy
 much more so. The weather at the
 the Cape I had very severe weather, & I
 received considerable damage to my sails,
 carried away the masts, & the boat, & I
 from the big owl of a parrot, and took the
 from all the people, & I had a great deal of
 & lost both of my eyes, & I am now
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 the masts, & the sails, & I am now
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 thing, about the same, & I am now
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good light order ready for inspection.
 & I shall thoroughly canvass the market
 before deciding that we cannot sell.

In the event of no sale I think China
 presents the best chance for us, as the
 ship is so well known in those waters.

I should prefer going there, for getting a
 low figure, rather than Europe with freight.
 Of course you know figures would be for
 such wages - but I have no doubt but I
 could get one thousand - five hundred Mexican -

I have already had one or two inquiries
 that way - but I am not disposed to rush
 matters too much - have not yet got in
 to wharf - expect to get in this P.M. & will
 commence discharging next Monday. As
 soon as collections are made I will remit
 as much as I can telegraphically. I am
 glad to notice that you begin to think
 favorable of iron ships - I have liked
 them a long time - & think in many respects they
 are preferable to wooden. In this particular
 market for the carriage of grain, they stand
 10% higher than any other class of vessels -
 Although in China they do not rate quite as
 well. I am glad to hear that the Allusion
 case is settled at last - although it is an

goodly objects over seas for inspection
 & that throughly through the museum
 before deciding that we cannot send
 On the result of our face I think China
 presents the best chance for us, as the
 ship is so well known in these waters.
 I should prefer finding time for study &
 but again, rather than to go with you.
 Of course for your going over but for
 that I agree but I have no doubt but
 could get over time for a hundred instances.
 I have already had one or two instances
 that my boat is not sufficient to last
 waiting the wind - I am not yet in
 the state - expect to get in the first week
 of summer in observing with me. Of
 course all collections are made I will send
 all sorts of our topography. I am
 glad to notice that for the first time
 I have been
 them a day here - I think in many respects the
 are preferable to London. At this point
 I want for the purpose of going, that about
 10 of higher than any other class of objects -
 Although in China the old and new kinds of
 well. I am glad to hear that the Chinese
 case is better than last. Although they are

aft I found another box of the same
 that had been opened & a packet of the same
 was present in each case, therefore there
 is no blame to be attached this side. I always
 found well aft in boxes which I opened
 of Oysters opened & found also a number
 of empty cans - coming at the small storages.
 I have spent almost every moment in the
 hold myself & when obliged unavoidably to
 be absent I have had a deputy - I mean
 to say that the Stewards here have not
 been left alone one minute; consequently
 when I say these faults belong to the other
 I know what I am talking about. The
 Port Warden says that the never the better
 Stowage of Whiskey in the ship - He has
 notwithstanding considerable leakage - I have
 seen a large number of barrels broken
 out, partly empty - well stowed but showing
 latent defects which should have been seen
 in New York - All the Whiskey that I received
 most of that came out well, although I
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packages & some well compared to my mind.
 Our cargo as a general thing is coming
 out well; these things that I have
 mentioned, have been the only losses among
 things yet. — I have quite thorough
 knowledge of the market & find it unfavorable
 for selling the ship. Mr. Pope (the man who offered
 25000 last year) says that he would not give twenty
 now, simply because he has no suitable business
 for her — & others give the same reasons —
 Every body loves the ship — but don't want to buy —
 The fact of the matter is, shipping is dull and
 money tight. I see the 16th suit — years
 of long 5th in which you & your annoyance
 at the nonarrival of the ship — I also say
 that you think that fact of a long passage would
 depreciate the value. I do not think so
 with all deference — that it has made the
 least difference. And I have no doubt
 could you know all particulars, you would
 say that I have done well in getting her
 as I have. — First, the ship was too deep
 for a Cape Horn voyage in the dead of winter —

For a long time I have been thinking of writing
you a letter about the book which you sent me
of the "History of the United States". It is a very
interesting book, and I have read it with great
interest. I am glad to hear that you are
interested in history, and I hope you will
continue to read and study it.

I am, my dear friend,
Very truly yours,
Wm. Lloyd Garrison

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secondly - I had the poorest trash I ever
sent in shipboard. Good enough for a dinner
but worthless in ball. I did not lose out
+ out but one sail (Main top sail) but I had
them torn + in deck for repairs. Antimoon

As soon as I got the ship secured fast
alongside of the wharf - I made a alarm
rope - + drove every body on shore - I am
the only one left - This am I send
you the following telegram - "Liverpool
penns - C.R.K. for orders there, for a
about three thousand - China preferable -
I think our best Chinese (which I shall do
if left to myself - is to go over to H.K. - that
from one of the ports for New York or Boston.
I am ready, however - to do, whatever you desire
best. Mr Hoag's from Shanghai - of Olphant
+ Co. is expected here this week - I had
rather wait + see him before signing.

I requested De Witt R. & Co. this am to get
me a telegraphic transfer for 10000 gold to
they promised to do. I have been doing
myself that I could not well leave it
ship without, to come - but will look after it
in the morning. I dare not spare more gold
for fear I shall need it. Trusting all will
end well - + that you will send me Chinaman
I remain Yours - of an Obedient servant

Guthrie -

I have just seen the
 a long talk with Mr. [?]
 of Elephant & the [?]
 here this morning [?]
 He advises me quite
 strongly to go [?]
 and say that they will
 send me if I do. He
 says the [?] [?]
 will be good for [?]
 I have just seen the
 Kettle, the [?]
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 paper at 74 a [?]
 [?] [?] which is
 much more [?] than
 could be done last week.
 I shall have the [?] of my
 Camp out to day. I shall

extremely much I afraid the
 George, but in paper we have
 in our hands. For they lay with
 ship the, but all night. Every ship
 that had any light, they had
 you like for, they claim. The
 at in line. Left the, and
 looked. They are tomorrow. If you
 the least of feet is appearing. The
 found, the paint with which
 they are covered is all scraped
 I have off & cracked the, and
 being off, the ship changed at the line. They
 bath of one dollar per inch. In the
 before. Rather a tough pill to swallow.
 I did not see one bit, in
 getting out. Therefore I must
 to I'm nothing about them. But
 that I for the best. I at present
 the one the same. The Responder
 I am as possible. I am
 to the other. I am as possible
 the same. I am as possible
 of a something else. I am as possible
 before the day. I am as possible

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it is done - after it, one
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that is the one character, the one
in one character - the one, the one
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a single field to another

Tuesday, Bellingham 24th May
 My dear Mr. Hastings & Co. Gentlemen
 I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th inst. in consequence of which
 I have accepted the terms offered to load for
 the Hong Kong, in ship, Olyphant & Co's line. They
 I have a small Bangle partly loaded to the point
 of before commencing upon me but anticipate
 in getting me full in the season to enable me
 to do the good sea season. I Mr. Hayes will
 that he agreed with at once to the point in China
 to make sure I have a cargo of goods for me to
 send as possible after arrival. And I will
 write to Mr. Hayes & Co. to make my return on
 the same subject. I expect to be in receipt
 of something over two hundred dollars upon
 before Bellingham from the 1st to the 1st

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 J. M. Smith

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 J. M. Smith

give me I presume ample funds for all
 contingencies & probably leave a balance for
 your benefit. I only requested for
 ten thousand dollars of gold, at that time
 our actual collections were but little more
 than half that amount, but Mr. Kittle let
 me have what we needed. The business
 of collecting freight here is now conducted
 vastly different than formerly - all of our
 goods - except the iron from holding fast - have
 been delivered some six days - notwithstanding
 that fact, the freightmen have not all of
 it been paid yet. I audibly have
 quite a sum of claims to pay or fight over that
 up to this time have been presented. I
 mentioned in my last my impression about these
 large water pipes - Every ship from New York this
 season has brought me a couple of them & not
 one ship has escaped. Of our lot of forty
 they have cut about fifty - two inches - for which
 I expect to receive a little more. Mr. C. Kittle
 had over one hundred inches, & the Import
 even more. I am quite sure a complete bundle

in hand the same of pipe. Of course you are
 and the pipes are so full beyond all doubt
 that nothing like a crack is visible. After they
 have been down the wharf a test is made, and
 the pipes are then with a large hammer, those
 that do not give the right sound are dropped.
 I by that means only, can anything be known.
 I have carefully examined each one that has been
 cut - & in every case I have found the crack
 to be an old one, entirely filled up with coal
 & tar. So finally, as to def. more inspection
 it & I will make the suggestion, that if you
 have more of them to receive, that you are
 careful & have them inspected and sounded
 well, in expert, before they are received.
 It is plain, bad enough, to have to load our
 ships all, with water for a comparison.
 Small rate of freight, without being imposed
 on, for something really beyond our
 control. We are short in a lot of Boots
 of four cases - They are in store, the case
 of the same mark, which came in the Star of Hope
 which probably belongs to our lot - & they kept it on
 purpose - we are in hope, the balance will be found

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on board the "Ocean Express". Of course you are
 aware that in getting out, for this voyage, we
 calculated somewhat upon a termination here,
 consequently, I will have to expend something on
 that account. But I shall endeavor as usual
 to straiten myself as much as possible - One or two
 sails I must have, but I intend quashing them
 myself, which will save a little. I am really
 afraid of the Mainmast as well as the Mizmast.
 If I do anything it will be to purchase the
 rough spars & make them on board. My
 expenses are now reduced to a minimum.

Having no one save myself & Chief Officer
 & me get our food & so on - Not drinking
 it with white food & so on - Not drinking
 for so few. It is now too late for this to go in
 to day's mail, inasmuch as I was interrupted
 while writing, by a visit from Commodore Tucker
 who made a pleasant call & reported all well.

He & Admiral invited me to call at his
 residence, which I shall do when convenient.

Notwithstanding the great annoyance conse-
 quent upon my being so far - I am glad
 that the "Midnight" is not alone in all doing
 this season - as you observed concerning
 the records - Hoping this will find you all
 well I remain faithfully yours.

Obedient servant
 H. Brock

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the W. B. Smith estate. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the W. B. Smith estate. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the W. B. Smith estate.

San Francisco Sept 8 1865

Messrs Henry Hastings Esq & Co

Boston

I advised you last the 24th inst. Since that time, the state of the market, has kept me in such great suspense & uncertainty, that I have hardly felt like writing you.

In my last I informed you that I had arranged to load for Hong Kong - Such was the fact. The contract with Mr. Seaman (Agent of Clydesdale) was to lay me on in their line, under a guarantee of \$3000. At the time of making this bargain, he was much better thought to be well, but yet better. The contrary, however, proved, & in a few days he grew alarmingly ill. On Friday, the 27th inst. he sent for me to go to his room, and gave me liberty to withdraw if I wished. Seeing no chance of making my freight, I felt it my duty to inform you of same, which I did by telegram.

During the afternoon of that same day, Mr. Seaman proposed laying the ship in care of Com. & telegraphed that to you. His suggestion of buying flour, was an emanation of his own - which I did not care to oppose. So much

The 11th of Sept. - I have just received your telegram
 time elapsed, before the shipping our telegram
 & expressing your answer that I had a good opportunity
 to ship the wheat for freight & I found it no
 to ship the wheat for freight - I offered to take
 as fast as the shipping firm - There are now four
 vessels here, that must return to China freight or
 no freight - Freight for Liverpool has steadily
 advanced - in accordance with your last telegram
 dated Sept 2 - & received here Saturday, 6 m. I
 immediately closed a charter to load wheat for L.
 at a rate of £3.10.3 - which is the best yet given,
 direct - I am sorry matters have resulted, as
 they have - Could anything been obtained toward expenses,
 China I think would have been far preferable.

Loading here for Liverpool, will materially augment
 our expenses - in consequence of which I presume
 I will have to draw back some of the fund I sent
 you on the 18th inst. I mention it now, that you may
 be prepared for it. I have not had my
 survey yet - will probably get it this p.m. - do not
 anticipate much else, than caulking of the deck -
 I have not yet sent all my claims, but have
 enough on file, to right me. They are expensive,

In my letter of Aug 18th I mentioned, seeing a large
 of boxes of dry goods taken out. Having means of having
 been opened. Upon examination I find one of the boxes to
 short ten dozen white Merino Shirts. The other
 box was "Caracorum jackets" & is short about ten
 dozen. These bills have not yet been sent in,
 but I have made enquiry amongst dealers & find
 the shirts worth about ² ~~10~~ ¹⁰ per dozen - the jackets about
 three times as much. You will see at once what a
 large bill has got to be paid. This leakage around
 in New York & loss between our Ship Keper & the
 gang of Stereodons. I have no Confidence in
 the man we had in the former Capacity, & believe
 him as likely as any one to do such a thing. Be
 that as it may I have got the bill to pay here
 whether it may be. We have also got three cases
 of Boots to pay for - our lot is short four but a
 spare case came out in "Sterodons" which we have
 the benefit of. We are short in Oysters
 about a dozen ^{per dozen} boxes. I have great reason to
 think these were largely eaten in New York. I have
 found over two dozen empty the boxes stowed away
 in the after end of lower hold. This is about all that

Actual shortage I have heard of yet. The other
 claims are not unusually expensive, but these
 items I mention will give up the largest amount
 of almost four hundred dollars I had to pay in this
 great upland province. I will materially add
 to the amount of money I will need to draw for.

— ^{While} writing above I have been informed several
 to Coulter — also informed that wheat would be along-
 side this P.M. Am now arranging to be ready
 for same — As soon as I get through settling
 claims I will advise you of results.

Hope to hear that you have concluded
 to build an iron clipper of about twelve
 hundred tons register — Combining sailing
 with good carrying capacity. My opinion is that
 we have eventually got to come to this in order
 to compete favorably with England, & the power
 the better, using wire rigging all over the ship as
 much as possible. I would like to have a ship
 of this description, as I think the chance for
 profits good in such a craft. I wish we could
 make seals of iron too. Hoping to hear from you
 again before sailing I remain Obdiently Yours
 J. B. Brock

again before leaving the country
water level of the river. Hoping that
people will be back a week. I wish with a
of the description, as I think the character
much is possible. I want to see the
the better, having no other at the ship,
the perfect far away with England, the
we have something for the time to the
last year carrying away. My opinion is that
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Alas, I will never see of it.
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the best of the river, then you are
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Mr. H. Hastings do

Dear Sir, I am

for yesterday, last evening when

at the Merchants Exchange I

noticed, much up for the attention

of Ship Masters the following —

"All Ships that are engaged

fully or in part in New York are

specifically required to have a certificate

of Seamen's Health, signed

by the Surgeon appointed by the

New York Board of Trade, &c.

All Charter parties made here

require their own Surgeon and

his name is specified in Charter.

There has been great dissatisfaction

on account of this notification, many

Masters refusing to take the expense

of it. I send this to you now

that you may let me know, by

returning the enclosed

telegraph, immediately upon
receipt of it, whether it is really
necessary for me to take the
expense of sending it. My idea
is, that if the ship is ordered to
Boston - I do not require it.

If I do not get an answer
to this for telegraph - I shall
act according to this idea &
bear that extra expense -

I commenced loading
this afternoon - have to haul
about one hundred tons -

This afternoon am putting
out a lot of ballast which I
was obliged to take in last week,
in order to discharge all the
ballast from the ship as they required it
& would wait no longer.

It now looks as though I could
soon get on.

I am collecting the deck

My dear Sir
I have just received your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the
of course you are aware that
I presume if I should
take too much time
nearly as much as
takes more than
own - I shall be
where - I can
Respectfully
Yours
J. M. Smith

No	Item	Amount
1	Wm. H. Brown	10.00
2	John A. Smith	15.00
3	James H. Jones	20.00
4	Robert L. White	25.00
5	Thomas M. Green	30.00
6	Charles F. Black	35.00
7	William D. Gray	40.00
8	George E. Hall	45.00
9	Henry J. King	50.00
10	John K. Lee	55.00
11	James L. Scott	60.00
12	Robert N. Adams	65.00
13	Thomas O. Baker	70.00
14	Charles P. Carter	75.00
15	William Q. Evans	80.00
16	George R. Fisher	85.00
17	Henry S. Gibson	90.00
18	John T. Hall	95.00
19	James U. King	100.00
20	Robert V. Lee	105.00
21	Thomas W. Scott	110.00
22	Charles X. Adams	115.00
23	William Y. Baker	120.00
24	George Z. Carter	125.00
25	Henry A. Evans	130.00
26	John B. Fisher	135.00
27	James C. Gibson	140.00
28	Robert D. Hall	145.00
29	Thomas E. King	150.00
30	Charles F. Lee	155.00
31	William G. Scott	160.00
32	George H. Adams	165.00
33	Henry I. Baker	170.00
34	John J. Carter	175.00
35	James K. Evans	180.00
36	Robert L. Fisher	185.00
37	Thomas M. Gibson	190.00
38	Charles N. Hall	195.00
39	William O. King	200.00
40	George P. Lee	205.00
41	Henry Q. Scott	210.00
42	John R. Adams	215.00
43	James S. Baker	220.00
44	Robert T. Carter	225.00
45	Thomas U. Evans	230.00
46	Charles V. Fisher	235.00
47	William W. Gibson	240.00
48	George X. Hall	245.00
49	Henry Y. King	250.00
50	John Z. Lee	255.00
51	James A. Scott	260.00
52	Robert B. Adams	265.00
53	Thomas C. Baker	270.00
54	Charles D. Carter	275.00
55	William E. Evans	280.00
56	George F. Fisher	285.00
57	Henry G. Gibson	290.00
58	John H. Hall	295.00
59	James I. King	300.00
60	Robert J. Lee	305.00
61	Thomas K. Scott	310.00
62	Charles L. Adams	315.00
63	William M. Baker	320.00
64	George N. Carter	325.00
65	Henry O. Evans	330.00
66	John P. Fisher	335.00
67	James Q. Gibson	340.00
68	Robert R. Hall	345.00
69	Thomas S. King	350.00
70	Charles T. Lee	355.00
71	William U. Scott	360.00
72	George V. Adams	365.00
73	Henry W. Baker	370.00
74	John X. Carter	375.00
75	James Y. Evans	380.00
76	Robert Z. Fisher	385.00
77	Thomas A. Gibson	390.00
78	Charles B. Hall	395.00
79	William C. King	400.00
80	George D. Lee	405.00
81	Henry E. Scott	410.00
82	John F. Adams	415.00
83	James G. Baker	420.00
84	Robert H. Carter	425.00
85	Thomas I. Evans	430.00
86	Charles J. Fisher	435.00
87	William K. Gibson	440.00
88	George L. Hall	445.00
89	Henry M. King	450.00
90	John N. Lee	455.00
91	James O. Scott	460.00
92	Robert P. Adams	465.00
93	Thomas Q. Baker	470.00
94	Charles R. Carter	475.00
95	William S. Evans	480.00
96	George T. Fisher	485.00
97	Henry U. Gibson	490.00
98	John V. Hall	495.00
99	James W. King	500.00
100	Robert X. Lee	505.00

Ship "Midnight" & Curves in Cape with

Geo H. Brock & Co
Currency Gold

1868-

To Vm 1	Glazing bill 2.50. Telegrams 15.00	17.55
" 2	R. Hancock Work on Cargo	25,
" 3	H. C. Smith Labor	36,
" 4 & 25	J. L. Clarke Watching	60,
" 5 & 24	Steven Castle Boating	68,
" 6	Wm C. Dyer Cooperage	40,
" 7 & 10	H. C. Pitman Stereodone	130, 50
" 8	P. Hoorn - Ceiling	80,
" 9	H. A. Connor Labor	20,
" 11	Whittier Fuller & Co Glap	4,
" 12	R. D. Chandler Lame	57,
" 13	Sunny 20.25. Hoanun 90	21 15
" 14	J. Chadbourne 106.83. Pumping 6.	112 93
" 15	J. B. Farwell & Co - Lohandley	157.62
" 16	L. Vries & Chas. H. Mote 80-	230,
" 17	Conna Wharfe Co	84
" 18	J. Hoang & Co Producers	28 40
" 19	Sops & Talbot Lumber	411, 35
" 20	Trier & Douglass - Sails	346 18
" 21	J. R. Coleman Blacksmith	15.37
" 22	G. M. Janssen & Co - Stems	208, 55
" 23	Grans & Smith - Heave	43,
" 24	A. C. Dief & Co - Oil 12	12.50
" 27	James R. Ketchum, Watching	5
-	Exp. B. B. B. Mote 20.00	52 25
-	Good Sides for by -	30, 86
-	Cash in hand	174 17
-	Expenses paid	27 30
-	Portage & Accomt	1002,
-	Amaya Bros	251 40
-	Cash on hand	1680, 70, 1360, 30

Amount Brought Over 1680.70 3641.50

Or P. Cash Rec'd from
Messrs. J. & C. Little & Co 1639. 3500.
Discount on Voucher No 10- 35.

" " " 14- 250
" " " 19- 90
" " " 24- 5 132.50

By Sale of Old Stuff 9.
By Cash Rec'd from Sale of Gold 41.70
1680.70 3641.50

San Francisco Sept 18 1869

E & O E Geo H. Brock

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the matter of the sale of the old stuff. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been sold for the sum of \$9.00. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been sold for the sum of \$9.00. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been sold for the sum of \$9.00.

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Liverpool February 2nd 1870
 Messrs Henry Hastings & Co
 Boston & Co.

I have refrained from writing lately, thinking
 perhaps I might have a few lines from
 you, but not having yet heard from you,
 I will now give you a general idea of
 matters concerning the "Midnight".
 Immediately after the ship had got under
 I telegraphed you the fact, requesting you
 to forward provisions & Kendrick. The
 following day I asked you to give me the
 lowest cash price of "Midnight" & rec^d from
 you in answer to both telegrams. A few
 days subsequent I gave you quotation for
 Hong Kong & Singapore receiving your answer
 the same day. On Friday the 20th inst
 I made out to collect fifteen hundred pounds
 from my consignees, which I immediately

deposited to your credit with Messrs. Brown
 Shipley & Co. London, advising you of same
 telegraphically. Finding it almost impos-
 sible to get as much of my freight money as
 I thought I should have, & the ship being
 nearly out, I quit my work last Saturday, and
 informed the gentlemen that I would not
 put out another bag until I received a
 payment. The consignees have do not want
 any portion of the wheat I find, & are ^{dependent}
 upon those who do own it, to pay, & then I suppose
 they can pay the ship. This M. J. Labadie
 received twelve hundred pounds, & has been
 to get work on balance of cargo to be paid in
 This amount I shall deposit with the bank,
 subject to my own order, & will put my
 accounts all closed & then whatever I have
 left I will transfer to your account.
 As I have already collected a little more
 than three thousand pounds, for the wheat, &
 consignees have claims for Commission, I do not
 feel alarmed about the balance.

collect it as I may need it for disbursements —

At the time Capt. Borne left here for Boston, I was rather short of cash — and he asking me as a favor, to give him an order on you for balance of his wages, I did so — to the amount of \$425. four hundred twenty-five dollars, which you will have received before this comes to hand. The ship is now changing her rigging — I have contracted to have some done, at a cost of about one hundred pounds — as I am looking after some myself sharply, you will readily believe that my time is quite fully occupied —

I received this A M from Messrs. Gresham & Co. London — a copy of charter party for 'Midnight' to load Coal at Cardiff for Singapore — 14 lay days at the rate of 25s. per ton — this is awful — you will probably receive for this same mail a letter from Mr. Gresham, explaining to you the condition of the market — as he informed me in his letter he shined de do — I wrote him immediately

upon receipt of Charter, asking him to
 see if he could arrange for me to board
 here. I find that it will cost me at
 least two hundred pounds to go to Cardiff
 & board. I am in hopes to hear in the morning
 by telegraph from him. I see a line
 a day or two since from Capt Knowles, asking
 for information about his stores. I sent him
 word what I knew upon the subject.

It is now time for me to start for the
 rigging left - (5 miles off) I will therefore close.

You may depend upon my using all
 the economy possible. Trusting soon
 to hear from you I remain
 yours Obedient

Geo H Brock

Cash Rec from H. Brock
 100 of £ Charter £ 3476 12 4

Liverpool February 16th 1870
 Geo H Brock

Ship Midnight & Owners etc
with Geo H Brock & Co

To Portage as per Book	148. 4. 11
" 1 Market fee 22. 5. 4	22. 5. 4
" 2 Steamer Ticket 40. 1. 3 - Channel 17. 9. 9	97. 9. 9
" 4 Gas Light 1. 11. 6 - for lighting 1. 3. 6	2. 16. 6
" 6 Storehouse 45. 0. 10	45. 0. 10
" 7 Mending Lamp 8. 13. 11 - to Messrs. 4. 11. 11	9. 13. 11
" 9 Gamewell Bill 8. 19. 11	72. 19. 11
" 10 Paint Bill 7. 18. 8	7. 18. 8
" 11 Woodwork & Plumber's Scales 78. 6. 8	78. 6. 8
" 12 West Coast Consulate 32. 16. 7	32. 16. 7
" 13 Ballast - 4. 11. 4 - for 4. 11. 4	44. 7. 4
" 14 Shipwright 30. 0. 3 - to 15 Sealing up 30. 12. 9	30. 12. 9
" 16 Table Cloth 1. 11. 4 - to 17 Carrying up 1. 11. 10	1. 11. 10
" 18 Rating Chronometer 5	5
" 19 J. de Costa Shipping bill 9. 11	9. 11
Expenses to London 3	3
Minutes from Totent 10	10
Telegraphing period - London 10	10
Cash to Credit of H & Co London 1600.	1600.
Cash in hand & with Banker 1268. 12	1268. 12
	<u>£ 3476. 12. 4</u>

Or by Cash Rec from R. Lodge, Co
on ac. of Chartm £ 3476. 12. 4

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Liverpool Feb 16 78/8
Geo H. Brock

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Landed there again Liverpool Feb 16 1870
 Messrs C Hastings & Co. that the cheapest
 from Boston & of that I was
 about changing my gentleman I have

I addressed you last the 2nd inst -
 And in a few hours afterwards received
 your two letters of 19 & 21st - On the
 10th inst Mr Kendrick arrived & brought
 me yours of the 28th Jan - on the
 day previous for Marathon I rec^d -
 provisions for Midnight & John Worcester.

We have made a mistake in
 purchasing our meat in Boston, as
 I can buy the same quality here,
 at even a lower price, to say nothing
 about expensing. The meat for Capt
 Knudsen I had carted down with my
 own & took some on board - Upon
 going to the Custom House to clear
 away I informed that if I carried some
 in the Midnight I should not
 find any consequence I have

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landed them again & sent them per Rail
to Cardiff, deeming that the Cheapest.

I advised you last that I was
about changing our rigging — I have
Completed the lower & topmasts — & have
all the material on board, with which
to finish & the riggers accompany me
to Cardiff in the ship for that purpose —

In looking in to the matter, I concluded
it cheaper, to make the change at once,
inasmuch as I could not well go
to sea, without putting on new fore &
mizzen, which would exceed in cost,
what I am doing — I told you
when in Boston, that I should probably
put a new Mizzen Mast in now — but
after thoroughly boring the old one I
have concluded to try it a while longer.

I have worked hard to keep expenses
down, but I have found it uphill work.

Although at last, I have succeeded
in getting rid of all but four of my men

in getting out of all sorts of my
 little things at last, I have discovered
 them. But I have found it of little use.
 I have now the least to keep myself
 from being obliged to try it a while longer.
 I have thought of doing the old one, &
 put a new margin, but in vain. I have
 when in Boston, that I should probably
 what I am doing — I told you
 margin, which would exceed in cost
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 Of having it to the credit of the
 to benefit in the ship for that purpose —
 to finish & the paper necessary, are
 all the materials on hand, not which
 completed the paper & the margin. I have
 about changing or adding — I have
 I advise you that I was
 to do off, assuming that the cheapest.
 I have then again & sent them for sale.

to the gate & will go out at 11 o'clock.
 The whelps have managed to get much
 of their living out of the ship. But then
 put a master has got to eat a large quantity
 of 'umble pie' in dealing with you &
 Conrad, in regard to the account. At
 one time he threatened to make me pay
 three months extra wages for Conrad's bill.
 I have eroded that — I have been
 obliged to do it however, for the boat
 who is left in hospital — I have paid
 her in my own account as well as that
 of my Compagnies, with the vouchers of each.
 I have kept the balance in our
 Banker's hands, in my own name — until I
 conclude all my disbursements, shall
 then transfer the balance to J. G. & Co.
 in London — In consideration of the
 increased risk at this season of the year,
 I have concluded it best, to turn all
 the way round to Cardiff — as the expense
 in actual expenses, only amounts to about
 thirty pounds — I am most respectfully

the whole have been encouraged to get out
of their living out of the ship - the other
part a master has got to eat a large quantity
of humble pie in clearing with some
beverage in regard to the account - but
one third of the statement to make myself
clear must explain every thing for general use
I have explained that - I have been
obliged to do it however for the best
who is left in doubt - I have for
bearing my own account as well as that
of my signifier with the knowledge of each.
I have left the balance in my
particular hands, with my name - and I
conclude out of my observations that
the transfer of the balance to my name
is done - the consideration of the
incorporation of the balance of the year
I have concluded that I had to do all
the way round to myself - and the excess
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& proceed at once down river. —

Mr Kendrick is on board all right, & I
will keep in mind your suggestions, in
regard to his time, & advance shall pay —

I have no second officer yet — and
will probably go around without one —
not deeming it of advantage to ship many
new people here. — I have near two
bills not yet paid, but they will have
to remain for the next account.

From what I learn through Mr Kendrick
your Pension grant must be quite near
Liverpool — hope to see him in
Cardiff — I trust you are all
well and that my paper will go right
& prove satisfactory I remain
your obedient servant

Yours truly
J. H. Brock

to get a visit to out at 11 o'clock
 & passed at an hour or so -
 Mr. Thompson is a doctor all right & I
 will keep in mind your suggestions in
 regard to his time, however & shall pay
 I have no second office yet - and
 will probably go around without one -
 out running it of advantage to my many
 new people here - I have never had
 bills out yet, but the bill has
 to remain for the next account.
 From what I hear through Mr. Thompson
 your business amount would be quite near
 to a hundred - hope to see him in
 the next few days -
 I have not yet seen you all
 well and that is a pity, but so right
 & have lately been a common
 for return of your observations.
 Yours truly,
 J. M. Brown

I had got half my paper through yesterday
 yesterday, and the other half I had not
 had time to get through. I had
 Mr. H. Hastings in the evening, and
 gave him the (Boston) Convention
 which he had been to the dock yesterday
 yesterday. I prepared a letter to accompany
 the ship's accounts, but after I had finished
 my sheet, I found I had not time to
 I am now just entering the water
 and hope to be in Cardiff tomorrow
 although the wind is dead ahead & blowing
 a gale. - got out of dock an hour earlier
 than anticipated yesterday, & started right
 off immediately, - while proceeding down
 I received yours of 1st Feb. & will write you
 which shall have due consideration.

I closed up my Lin. post bag & night
 I could although there were a few bills I
 can not ^{settle} until the work on shipping is ended.
 In regard to the next fr. I wrote Mr. Austin
 to Croshaw, asking his advice, & in reply he
 thought there would be no special ask in it,
 stating them as usual with me, and saying
 I had looking them over and would be ready to
 be upon clearing at the Custom House in ball 1

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I had got all my papers through, without a question, until I came to the last clerk when he asked me if I hadn't been taking in a lot of stores for another ship in Cardiff, and gave me the information, that if I carried the stuff, I would have to pay, full duty as for cargo - besides being liable to fine for the attempt at evasion - I therefore landed the things again & arranged to have them sent by rail road, to me at Cardiff & I waited there for them until Capt Knolly arrived. He gave me remarks in connection with dealing with Brockett, & I thoroughly understood your views, before leaving Boston, & I have never for a moment had any other idea, than to cash them out - & made a trip myself to London solely on that account. In making my charter, a clause is inserted giving me the option of one half advance here, after figuring the Commission & interest on the same, I concluded that we did not need money enough just now, to pay, about 10% for it, I therefore waived it & arranged to receive it all in London, after 30 days, after receipt of Certificate of discharge - although by charter I am allowed all I may need for disbursements, I think it would be better for you to refund me a small sum, & let me

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 you think it well for me to draw upon myself as
 I did the last time. I was in Singapore - I
 shall be guided by your advice in this matter.
 In regard to my Cable Dispatch asking for terms
 for selling ship - I had never thought of the thing;
 but a post came down & asked me if I would
 sell the ship, wanting a ship fitted to the China trade,
 having my sugar - after receiving leave I met
 them, & gave my terms, but have heard nothing
 since. - The ship is not worth more to us, than
 we can ever hope to get for her, unless some
 emergency should give a momentary value above
 the usual market. Had you been here with
 me, I should have advised changing our metal,
 not that it is poor, but simply because the
 exchange could be made here just now & very
 cheaply - Several are doing so. The Star of Hope
 crossed about the same time as 'Midnight' has
 changed her, for the above reason. - You'll
 notice in one of Garnock's bills, a charge
 for extra weight of wire. The best terms I
 could make in Contract was to exchange all
 except fifty foot ropes & spinnants, receiving the
 wire of half the size of ropes taking off, and
 a difference of £45. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours, G. H. Smith

a difference of 248. Having the market value
 of half the size of copper turning off, and
 except little for the expenditure, we are
 made in contrast, we are to exchange
 for the weight of silver. The last time I
 visited in one of the houses of the
 Chinese, for the above reason. — The
 Chinese about the same time as this, for
 coffee — because we are in the state of
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 them on exchange — after receiving some I must
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 for selling off — There never thought of it then;
 the request to of Goldsmith's asking for time
 that he wanted of my services in this matter.
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I am told by those who seem to understand, that I made good terms - Mr Croshaw thought, I would pay at least £60. Considerable of the old measured small, so that I ordered wire a trifle larger than the half, paying the difference, which carried the actual cost of wire exchanged to £50.14. - I have now to pay the Rigger £55. Had I not made the change, I should have bought new Fore & Mizzen lower Rigging & new topmast rigging throughout - it not being safe to trust longer to the old. We have now all new & strong all over the ship & you can easily figure whether I have done wisely or otherwise - I am satisfied.

I have tried hard to save all the money I could, & do not see where I could have done better. The ship was eaten out, not an article of stores left, except a few bbls of meat - so that I had to order rather more than usual - But I have tried not to be extravagant. My market bill was enormous - but I lived entirely from the shore, everything, and had many more months to fill, than was at all pleasant. The sailors knew their advantage & made the most of it -

The wind is fairly screaming now - dead ahead, so that I have doubts about getting in tomorrow -

Keeping these explanations, will be satisfactory, I remain your Respectedly Yours
G. H. Brock

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[Faint, mostly illegible handwriting in cursive script, likely a letter or manuscript page.]

Cardiff March 7th 10

Mr Geo Crookall Esq

London
 I have more than 35 tons on board in Cardiff
 and the ship is now in the dock, and
 the point is at hand, consequently I guarantee from
 the Charterers for forty tons in dispute. The parties
 have been quite superstitious in the matter, and
 receiving your telegram on Saturday, I did agree
 for them, they felt, of course, therefore have got
 I suppose to make the best of a bad bargain.

The guarantee however does not quite do the point.
 I did not mention in my letter that I was over
 forty tons. I said that the largest cargo the ship
 had ever carried, was also the largest draft of 19.11 -
 my last cargo of wheat from San Francisco was the loaded
 one down to 17.7. I am not out drawing 19.5 -

Thus you will perceive that I claim a larger quantity
 in fact. If the "Midnight" does not have
 to pay for at least twenty tons of coal, I shall
 be most greatly surprised. I thank you
 however for what you have done in the matter, and
 regretting, that the guarantee could not have been
 made so as to entirely cover the whole quantity, I

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the proposed amendment to the charter of the City of New York. I am very sorry that I cannot give you a more favorable answer, but I am constrained to say that the proposed amendment is not in accordance with the spirit of the charter, and that it is not in accordance with the wishes of the people. I am, however, very glad to hear that you are so much interested in the subject, and I am sure that you will continue to exert your efforts for the improvement of the City. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 John C. Smith

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never missing in calculation by more than four
or five tons I think I have good grounds for my
opinion.

I am intent going to sea
tomorrow, wind & weather permitting.

I presume from what I learn from Boston,
that Mr Henry Hastings will soon be with you,
I will thank you if you will shew him my two
letters, touching upon this question of tonnage.

I hope that the parties in Singapore will not
weigh out the cargo - in which case all will
be right -

Thanking you for your
courtesy and patience with my many letters - I
remain gentlemen Respectfully yours

Geo H. Brock

I do not believe that I have
 a particular more than 1000 lbs in weight - having
 looked at the ship's record - which I doubt, and
 never weighing in calculation of more than four
 or five tons I think I have got a good deal for my
 opinion. I have intended going to sea
 tomorrow, and have written permission
 I suppose for what I mean for Boston,
 that Mr. King, having said over the water for,
 I will thank you of my old friend for the
 letter, touching upon the question of language.
 I hope that the matter in dispute will not
 weigh out the day - in which case all will
 be right - I am thinking for you
 Country and distance will be very little -
 I remain, respectfully,
 Your H. Brock

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I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above mentioned matter. I am sorry to hear that you are not satisfied with the result of the investigation. I have, however, no objection to your making such use of the facts as you may think proper. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Your obedient servant,
 Wm. M. Drake

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With Geo H. Brock Jr

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3 S. H. P. 2.12 - 2.4 - 7.14

5 South 1.2 - 1.4 - 1.10

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12 Rock Hill 46.10.1 - 4.12.2 - 51.2.8

14 Providence 11.7.1 - 11.17.10

16 S. J. 60.10.1 - 68.8.6

18 Shipman 70.1.4 - 78.11.4

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Geo H. Brock

Handwritten March 8th 1810
 1 A M. Sunday

My dear Mr. Manning

Dear Sir

I have

been thinking of you very much lately
 and wondering how you are getting on
 in your studies. I hope you are
 making good progress. I have been
 very busy lately with my own
 studies and have not had time to
 write to you. I am sorry to hear
 that you are not well. I hope you
 will soon be better. I am very
 anxious to hear from you. I am
 your friend and servant.

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Although I have done in this respect as seemed
 to me best for the interest of the ship, I do
 not like the spirit of it at all. I have
 at last succeeded in getting rid of all
 of my California crew, although in order to
 do so I have had to use considerable money -
 but the saving to us in wages will exceed
 160 dollars monthly, which I consider well
 saved - you'll find another quite large list
 of shipwight & Blackguarding - I have had
 to make one new anchor & stroke - & my nearly
 new trap besides much repairing - but I
 have allowed nothing done, but what seemed
 actually necessary - The John Fletcher, master
 of Cork upwards of five pounds from Liverpool,
 but I saved about ten by not bringing them
 in the ship - Had you simply sent me all
 the meat without having the Webster name
 in the matter - you could have saved five pounds,
 but the inspectors in Liverpool have to
 keep for us, & having her name on the board,
 they kept the price of them - I think now that
 the whole matter of sending meat over here

Although I have been in the service of the
 to me best for the interest of the ship I do
 not like the thought of it at all - I have
 at last succeeded in getting out of all
 of my California goods - although in order to
 do so I have had to use considerable money
 but the saving to us in wages will exceed
 the cost. The money which I have saved
 I have - I have just paid for the
 of the freight to the coast - I have had
 to make one more small stock - I have
 and trip - I have made a saving - but I
 have obtained nothing else, but I have
 obtained nothing - I have the money but
 the cost of the goods of the company for the
 but I have about ten, I am bringing them
 in the ship - I have you with me and
 the next without having the money from
 in the matter - you know that I have
 but the inspectors in the port have
 been for up, I have been in the
 they kept the box of them - I think that
 the other matter of business must be

I hope to hear from you at Singapore, but
 your letter has been made up in the ship -
 was a mistake, it being quite cheap here, but
 now - for will please to say so, that I leave
 in the hands of our Bankers, for transfer about
 727 pounds - which carries the amount to your
 credit from our freight money at Liverpool
 about 237 pounds - I have not considered
 it expedient to draw any portion of my present
 freight money in advance - but if you think
 different Mr Croshaw can get it for you -
 As I mentioned before I think it will be well
 for me to have a credit at Singapore for my
 disbursements - but if you think otherwise please
 let me know - My present intention is to load
 at Singapore, or one of the River ports before
 China - As regards the matter of your
 insurance, I do not suppose that voyage
 to be one of especial risk - but I am
 spontaneous in business - of that you
 can judge full as well as I can -
 I like the appearance of my new rigging
 much & think it will prove a good investment
 although I presume I shall have much to learn
 in connection with wearing of iron rigging -

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I hope to hear upon arrival at Singapore, that
good progress has been made upon the Iron ship -
I had thought perhaps I should have the pleasure
of seeing Mr. Hastings here before sailing, but
that now seems out of the question - As all
matters of opinion on the subject, were well
arranged when I was last in Boston I will
be needless for me to say more here -
Having been hard at work all day & now
lying in bed & a fever - my ideas are in
a condition somewhat similar - therefore
will bring my epistle to a close -

I am loaded to a draft of 19.5th -
will Coada have in about 1040 tons. We
have a large quantity in dispute - I signed
11.2 for 1100 tons, but hold a guarantee, sent
me from London holding the ship clear to the
extent of 40 tons - I wish more or less trouble
in the matter, & have given Brothwell - by the way
on the subject - & requested him to show all of
my correspondence to Mr. Hays when he is in London.

There are some odd shillings in my favor
in the Worcester account - but I omitted recording
them & now do not remember the amount -

Hoping this will find you all well & that all
of your acts may prove satisfactory I remain your
Respectfully yours,
Geo. H. Brock

I hope to hear from you again at some time. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write to you. I have been thinking of you very much, and I have been hoping to hear from you again. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write to you. I have been thinking of you very much, and I have been hoping to hear from you again.

Messrs

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Singapore 30th June 1870
 Messrs Messrs, Hastings & Co
 Boston

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 26th inst. in relation to the safe arrival at this port of your ship "Midnight" - she 26th inst. - having made the passage in 110 days & 21st inst. This is longer than I had anticipated being. I find that I am ahead of the other fleet thus far this season. I received your letter of April 26th - covering your letter of 1st inst. - also two letters from H. H. & Co. dated 15th & 19th inst.

I find myself in great perplexity here to decide which is best for the ship - whether to cruise about in ballast upon uncertainties, or to take the best thing in the market, although small & thereby incur some expense -

The accounts from China & Java are most discouraging - Nothing at the River, & nothing obtainable hence Chinawards - Under these circumstances I have deemed it

He is a competent officer, and I think highly
 of him. My new wire rigging gives
 me great satisfaction & I am of the
 opinion that we will find it a good as well
 as profitable investment. The ship is in
 quite good order & I expect to get away
 from here, without much expense although
 I have got to cover the bency, as they seem
 quite open & she has been making rather
 more water than common this passage in
 Consequence. I judge from the
 tenor of the letters I recd from Glasgow that
 the iron ship will hardly become a fact this
 season. And I can see but small means
 just now for building, unless we go into steam.
 Can't we make it profitable to run steamers
 between Boston & Bombay? If the English can
 do so, I see no reason why we should not.
 The difference in distance between the Straits
 & Boston now, London is only about 1700 miles -
 say eight or ten days at most. It seems a pity
 to let England have it all & for us to go

begging. Since I was last in the country
 there have been at least four of the same
 established. American English school -
 & they completely alienate the minds of people
 for the most part. I have heard of several
 parts are needed. & just now the offerings
 in that line are getting thin. I shall
 endeavor to bring the Wednesday offering in good
 order, so that the same be sent right off
 again if desirable. Perhaps a lot of coal
 for the school of the poor in the city might
 be wanted. I am having some doubt whether to send
 here but hope it may not be so far off.
 I do not anticipate any trouble with my
 Coal. Although I am short of it in the
 winter. The proposed meeting at
 I of course, occurred, and what they found
 him willing to do. I am sure he will be
 the. Can't stand not to be so. I hope to be able to
 alter their minds with what I shall be all
 right & get paid for considerable more than
 we have on board. Trusting they will find you
 all well. I hope you will be happy to find
 the steam subject. I am sure you will
 Obediently yours
 J. H. Cook

My dear friend,
 I have been thinking of you
 & the prospect of the
 for the future. I hope
 that you are well & happy
 in that line. I am
 anxious to hear from you
 again. I hope you are
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New Harbor 4 July 1870

Alfred Jewell Esq

U.S. Consul for —

I hereby inform you of the
following named deserters from
my ship — Joseph Ashdown —

G. E. Trott — Robt. Binkstein —

S. Sermon — J. F. Jacobsen —

Thomas Gibb — Henry Morin —

Augusta Nelson — These men

having been absent three days

without leave — I have to

inform you also that on the

afternoon of March 10th able seaman

Gustave Sandstrom, fell overboard

from aloft and was lost — a boat

was lowered but no trace of him

seen — I will hand you his &c

soon — I remain for

Respectfully

Geo. H. Brock
Ship Midnight

Dear Mother & Sister
 I have just received
 your letter of the 12th
 and am very glad to hear
 of your recovery. I hope
 you will be able to go
 home soon. I am very
 anxious to see you and
 to hear all the news.
 I am well and hope
 these few lines will find
 you the same. I am
 ever your affectionate
 son,
 John H. Brock
 P.S. I am very sorry
 that I cannot write
 more to you at present.
 I am very busy at
 present. I am very
 anxious to see you and
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 John H. Brock

Singapore July 18 1870

My dear Mr. H. H. H.

London 1870

I address you last night -
I must advise you that I
have concluded my intended
business and am about to be
loaded for Boston - hope to
be off in about ten days -
Could I have got any thing
at all done, or for my
business, I would not
have accepted of my present
shipping. But I thought it
better to accept this, than to
go off in a small ship, with
no business being of such a
nature as to indicate small
prospects that way - Could I
find any other business I
pick up, I would not
leave it to you. In settling
for the year of last business
out, I have made better time

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much. Concerning the interests
of a ship, and the ~~the~~ for building ships, very small

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multiplicity of the English
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G. H. B.

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G. C. Trott in 4c with ship "Mildred" 1/2

March 8 To land accounts in bank 1/2 1/2

Mar 10 1 lb Tobacco 1/2 1/2

" 23 1 Suit chain cloth 4 2 1/2 1/2

April 12 2 Undercloths 4 2 1/2 1/2

" 20 1 Suit chain cloth 3 1 1/2 1/2

Apr 2 1 lb Tobacco 1 1/2 1/2

May 8 1 Fair Bagnans 3 50 1 lb Tobacco 1 4 50

" 26 1 lb Tobacco 1 1/2 1/2

June 10 1 lb Tobacco 1 1/2 1/2

July 16 Cons. charge Singapore 5 50

" 26 1 lb Tobacco 1 1/2 1/2

June By Service 3 months 23 days at 15 58 50

July By Service 12 days at 15 2 00

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March 6 To Cash advanced in Cardiff 25. 25.

" 10 1 lb Tobacco 1.00
" 11 1 pair Heavy Boots 7.50
" 1 Cap 1.00 1 Knife 1.00 2.00
" 1 Thick Woolen Shirt 1.00
" 1 Woolen Hat 2.00 1 pair Stockings 1.00 2.00
" 1 pair Thick Panties 1.00
\$ 25.00

Last Overboard March 11/1870

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March 8 To Cash advanced in Cardiff 25. 25.
" 23 1 Cap 1.00 1 Knife 1.00 2.00
May 30 1 pair Stockings 1.00 1 Cap 1.00 2.00
June 3 1 pair Socks 3.50 1 Knife 1.00 4.50
" 23 1 pair Socks 1.00 1.00
July 1 Coronation Prize Singapore 5.00

\$ 34.00
By Service 3 months 2 days @ \$12 per m. 45.08
Bal Due \$ 89.08

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 March 8 To land a man in cargo of £5. 4 25.

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" 11 1 Mulechit 2. 1 50 250 — 4 00

" 12 1 pair Stockings 1. 1 Apple 1.00 2 50

" 13 1 Thick Leather 5

" 14 1 Thick Woolen Shirt 6

" 15 1 pair Thick Boots 2 50

" 23 2 Knives 2

Apr 20 1 lb Tobacco 1

May 12 1 " " 1

June 10 1 " " 1

" 17 1 Cap & Corset 1 50

July 1 1 pair shoes & change Singapore 5 50

By Service & Munt 25 days off 10. 1. m. 56 50

Travelling Exp. off the Ship 4 50

Singapore July 1 1870

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My dear Cousin -

Thos. Taylor

We shipped yesterday, and
to whom I paid Admiration -
as none of them on board
yet, will you kindly have
them sent off at once.

I shall be great
obliged, if you will send me
your bearer, my shipping agent,
from Cardiff, to enable me to
make up some account for
himself & I will return same
in a few hours -

Yours truly
Gust. Brown
Shipwright
Singapore -

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Singapore July 29/70
 Mr. H. Hastings &
 Boston Gentlman

I last accompanied the
 15th inst. I have now to report
 the "Midnight" vessel & will
 probably get off to sea this day.
 I have had great trouble
 here, with my crew & the Consul
 I now have no cook on board
 mine having deserted last
 night - I shall try & pick one
 up if possible. If not I shall
 come along without one. The
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Singapore July 29/70
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 knows nothing about the matter.

Margaret J. 1810

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the requirements of shipping
And seems to ease only to make
making you all the work possible.

I am loaded to a good
easy draft being equal to
about 17.7 even - And only
want half a chance to make
a good paper - I have
forwarded Original & duplicate
recip. of cargo, to G. Broshen
& Co. & presume all will be
attended to if them in good shape

I send you herewith my vouchers
of expenditure at this port -
also copy of letter sent our Bankers
by this same mail. Hoping that
all will go safe & that they
may prove acceptable to our
gentleman for the di. of the
Gent. H. Brock

Myself Aug 2 Bought
3 Bbl Sweet Potatoes 3.
4 " " " 6.
Pumpkins & fruit 3.
Whiskies 5.
Long Towels 1.
2.17-

I have your account of the
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 also copy of letter ...
 of the ...
 all will be done ...
 very soon a complete ...
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Singapore July 28 170
 Messrs Brown Shipley & Co
 London Gentlemen

I have this day drawn
 upon you, under credit No. m
 2358. dated Boston April 30 1700.
 In favor of Messrs Boustead
 & Co of Singapore, for disburse-
 ments of Ship 'Midnight' which
 you will please honor and
 place against the ac of
 Messrs Henry Hastings & Co
 of Boston - & Oblige
 Yours Respectfully

W. St. Brock
 'Midnight'

My dear Mr. [unclear]

I have just received your letter of the 11th

and am very glad to hear from you

and hope you are well

I am very much interested in your work

and hope you will continue to do it

with interest and success

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Singapore July 29th 1870
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W. H. Brock
 "Midnight"

My Dear Sir,
I am in
Singapore July 21/10

I have the day before
after for, London, about 10.00
23.8. latest date 10.00
the favor of Mr. Bostwick
to of Singapore for
out of Mr. Bostwick's
you will please send
please appoint the 10 of
Mr. Bostwick's
of Bostwick - 10.00
Your Respectfully

Wm. Bostwick
Wm. Bostwick

My dear Mr. Drake
 I have the honor to acknowledge
 the receipt of your letter of the 11th
 inst. relative to the purchase of
 the honor of the ship "Washington"
 for the purpose of conveying
 the remains of the late
 President of the United States
 to his native land.

I have the honor to inform you
 that the Board of Directors
 of the American Ship Building
 Company, in answer to your
 letter of the 11th inst., have
 decided to purchase the
 ship "Washington" for the
 purpose of conveying the
 remains of the late President
 to his native land.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours,
 J. M. Drake

Singapore 4 P.M.
July 28 1870

Messrs H. H. & Co -

Boston

Gentlemen

I thought I could surely
get off to day and had all
my own affairs closed by noon -
but I now believe that
the house here did not
mean for me to sail, inasmuch
as my Invoices were kept
back until it was too late
for me to get off - I find
in my 9c that I gave Bonwood
& Co Credit for 1153.88 - This amount
I should read 1168.88 - making a
balance of fifteen dollars more
which I had to draw & which
you will please pay to my account

Handwritten text, likely a signature or name, written in cursive script.

July 20 1850

29th Nov 1890

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John Thompson

I thought I would send
 get off to day and look at
 my own affairs. I have
 but I am believe that
 the house here will not
 mean for me to live, and
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 back with it, I was not
 for me to get off - I feel
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 to Court for 1858 - I am
 think send 1858 - meeting a
 balance of fifteen dollars
 which I had to borrow & which
 you will please pay to my account

I find that I will not
enclose you a copy of my
Donations &c which I want
to send you - I want
instead of sending each one
the summary, purchasing I
can get on -

The ship is in Atlantic
from I send order your way -
Sept 17.3 forward it all
which will be more expediting
after the purchase of

I have learned of my
friend on the ship list, but
can not say anything more.
He says to make a good
account of one
of the ships -

Respectfully
Yours

Spencer D. Pratt

P.S. - I enclose my
account of the ship & cargo
on the ship list - also
I want to publish - about
this day - \$300.00

W. M. B.

Handwritten musical notation in a single system, featuring a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The notation consists of a series of notes and rests, with some notes beamed together. The handwriting is in a cursive style, typical of 18th or 19th-century manuscripts.

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Handwritten text on the right margin, likely a continuation of the musical score or a related note. The text is written in a cursive style and is partially obscured by the binding of the book.

to be done the best -

Hoping you are all well & that
 I will soon hear from you - I remain
 Respectfully yours
 E. M. Green

the ship in several passages,
although her self considerable
penalty to repair - I asked
our steward to make over

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This image shows a page of handwritten Japanese text in a cursive (sōsho) style. The text is written in dark ink on aged, slightly discolored paper. The characters are fluid and connected, typical of the cursive style. There are several vertical columns of text. Some areas of the page are marked with light blue ink, possibly indicating corrections or specific sections. The overall appearance is that of a historical document or a personal letter.

Kupros when we were in Boston;

We reported them good, asking I

told him that he was mistaken -

I have carried one bar of them

Y hall, best both of the dyquats,

can see them placed in much -

hearing separately - the have all

got to go on shore - The ^{high} buccas

has several quantities of water -

which - more or less - one of our

ships, had given out - in the

Chambers that must be ordered

for repairs also - no trouble with

anything, but provant. I find

the much clearer than Singapore for

ordinance, disturbances, but shall

spend two more days more - you

may rest assured, ^{to} ^{the} ^{the} ^{the}

though not the large satisfaction

to be I am do no better -

Though you are all well & that

I will soon hear from you - I remain

Respectfully yours

Wm. Green

Wm. Green

The ship's report

remains here the same day

reporting yesterday in the same

place - the ship's report

is the same as before

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A page of handwritten musical notation in brown ink on aged, yellowed paper. The notation consists of two systems of staves, each with a treble clef. The handwriting is a cursive style, and the ink is somewhat faded. The paper shows signs of age, including discoloration and some staining.

Yokohama July 12th 1871
 Messrs. Messrs. Messrs.
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Can you offer me inducement
 to warrant me bringing my ship
 to your port? The "Middling" is
 now in Japanese order - was
 thoroughly overhauled last year
 under insurance inspection in
 Boston - new metal etc -

If nothing offers here, after I
 get rid of my cargo of coal, I
 shall be off the coast, would
 like to have you load me for
 the States if possible, providing
 terms would remunerate.

With early answer with great
 oblige Yours respectfully
 Geo. H. Brown
 "Middling"

My dear friend,
 I have just received your letter of the 10th inst. and am
 glad to hear that you are well. I am
 very much interested in the progress of your
 studies and hope to hear from you again soon.
 I am, dear friend, very truly,
 your friend,
 Wm. Lloyd Garrison

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 been well pleased of the ship's officers -
 but not sufficient as yet to lay on with -
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 of them being ready for (engagements) and the
 English ships, on the beach for departure - one
 of the last few that say - there are some
 more than one with us here, named as such
 made out as to my future - the steamer
 all out next week - at present I am
 I have put out of about 600 lbs, & hope to have
 that put - but it is better with a little
 as much so, as is necessary in way of
 provisions and the discharge of my cargo
 until I sail here, one afternoon, I am
 late for my last contact of home and
 mine and the sea - I have been
 late arriving at this point - the steamer
 will leave you just as - leaving me of it

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and future. At this present time, prospects
look good at Shanghai. Of course nothing offering
at this port, China will come right in order.
I have no fear but that I shall find some
kind of business. Somewhere for the "Midnight"
at all events. I do not approve of lengthened times
of idleness. The thought we were coming to
a remarkably cheap port. I find however this
is a great mistake. Almost everything required
for ship use is extremely dear. Marketing in
particular. I am only getting what seems absolutely
necessary. Please inform Mr. Hostrup
that they gave me the poorest Tea. I never
knew any thing about it. When I left Cardiff, I
had sixteen (not 20) before I was a week out.
I cooked one of them & found it rather poor.
The have eaten three of them only all the rest
have been thrown overboard. Completely rotten.
I do not think they were sufficiently good.
Our meat is as usual, first quality.

I can report the "Midnight" in good order
& hope for next mail to have some business for
her that I can report. In the mean time will
endeavour for the best. I do not apprehend any
trouble with the Consignee of my Coal but I
should any question arise. I shall remit it to
Mr. Croshaw for his special benefit. As I think his
Charter parties are foolishly made. Being particularly
against the ship. Hoping this will find
you all well. I remain yours obediently

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Wm. C. Lyman & Co.
Shanghai

I received
your letter of 25th inst.
concerning the
arrangement of freight - I am glad
to learn of the advance of freight - all your
part. My cargo is now about two thirds
out & will probably be ready for shipment about
ten days - I anticipate Company direct
to Shanghai for the purpose of loading for the
United States - Please be on the lookout for me.
I will load at the best attainable figure
above the company - Therefore you are at liberty
to act in my behalf, and I hope you will
have a goodly portion of cargo ready for
immediate shipment upon my arrival.
do not presume to function. Respectfully
Yours
J. H. Brock
With many thanks for your
advice, & trusting you are all well
Respectfully
J. H. Brock
Shanghai

My dear Mr. Booth
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the proposed purchase of the book of the life of George Washington. I have the pleasure to inform you that the book is now in the hands of the printer and will be ready for sale in a few days. I have also the pleasure to inform you that the book is now in the hands of the printer and will be ready for sale in a few days. I have also the pleasure to inform you that the book is now in the hands of the printer and will be ready for sale in a few days.

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Yokohama 22 August 1858

My dear Mr. [unclear]

Shanghai

I advised
you the ^{possibility} of my intention of coming to
your port in pursuit of business. But the
arrival yesterday of Steamer "Brine" I am
in receipt of your Circular of July 21st, also
duplicates of printing dispatches. I now
anticipate leaving this port for yours, the latter
part of next week. Would it be asking too
much, to request you to give advice to the Shanghai
Pilots, as to the expediency of my proceeding at once
up the river for Shanghai? Unless I could depend
of a certainty of loading, I shall anchor
below Shanghai, & there keep the ship until I
can communicate personally with you - as I
do not care to go to sea, unless pay expenses.
This course would from necessity engender some little
delay - which I would avoid if possible -

With many thanks for your promptness in
advising, & trusting you are all well I remain
Gentlemen Respectedly yours

Geo. H. Bost
Munich

[The page contains faint, illegible handwriting, likely bleed-through from the reverse side.]

Yokohama August 11th 1871
 Messrs. Geo. G. Chapman
 London

Dear Sir — I have
 your letter with receipt given me by the
 agent of the "Messageries" company at this
 point, for Ocean Insurance and the 1/2 tons of
 Coal, being the amount shipped at Cardiff
 out for bill of lading, which at 38 p. ton
 amounts to £ 2.14/- Two thousand one hundred
 and forty seven pounds sterling. You will please
 collect that amount from the party in
 London as per charter party dated 15th 6/1871
 and deposit same — Copy your Comm. —
 with the above Bill of Lading to the
 Agent of Messrs. Henry Hastings & Co. of Boston.

The "Midnight" will be ready to sail
 for Shanghai in about one week —
 having only two tons of ballast to take in
 first. Our river to this day since I arrived
 at Yokohama.

Respectfully yours

Geo. H. Brock

"Midnight"

Yorktown Va. 11/21/51
 Mr. A. Condit
 "The City of New York"

Sir: Not having sufficient
 funds in hand at which to
 pay your demand of \$1,000
 this amount of the first
 installment, I hereby agree
 to pay same to your order
 through Messrs. Geo. W. Smith &
 111 Broadway New York to whom
 you will please apply for the
 amount of \$1,000
 Com'd 2000
 Fifty two pounds 10 shillings 6 pence

Yours
 Geo. W. Smith
 Messrs. Geo. W. Smith &

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P.S. - I have written to the Council
 regarding the "Maffingbury" Marston. The
 present a bill for his services which
 was submitted. The Council has
 been asked to pay for forty two pounds
 Eighteen "Maffingbury" Marston.

£42.18.9 - I have been well please pay
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 116. French Street to whom
 you will please apply. -
 Amount of my bill for the amount of my bill for

Com. & 2% on same - £42.18.9 -
 Forty two pounds Eighteen Shillings
 nine pence

Received of the Council
 Geo. H. Brock
 Master, Maffingbury

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 Eighteen "Maffingbury" Marston.

P.S. - I have written the above. Mr. Comil
 agent of the Messageries Maritimes has
 prepared a bill for his Commission, which
 was omitted in settling. I have given
 him an order on you for Forty two pounds
 Eighteen Shillings and nine pence
 £42.18.9 - which you will please pay
 & deduct same from amount of freight
 collected. Oblige Yours
 Galt Brock

Refers to Letter on page 384

G. Brodhead

Cash back due from the
 of the bill at 6 months sight
 on the ship's order. 15/11/11
 £34.22

Cash to the same Aug. 11/11
 Galt Brock

Cash to the same June 11/11 Total 255.0
 Dec. 11/11 30.00

Collected
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 collection of
 the
 British Museum
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Yokohama August 1871
 Ship Midnight & Ours
 1871 in ye with Gust Brock Dr

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no Toucher Water Bill #5. Boat tickets 5.		10
H. Cook Blacksmith		39.83
Postage inward		57
Market 7c 100. J D Canall do 4.92		145.92
Hospital Bill 13.50 - Bread Bill 55.		48.50
Storehouse - Bulant &c		581.60
Medicine Bill, 2.50 - Dr Jye - 15.		17.50
Consular Bill - Admen &c		127.38
Cash to Offices & brew		31.87
Cash to Self to Balance		443.40
		<u>\$1525.00</u>

Co-B Cash Rec from Mops
 J D Canall do- 1525
 Settled by bill at 6 months sight
 on Brown Shiply do. @ 4/7 Exchange.
£349.91

E & O C Yokohama Aug 1871
 Gust Brock

Supplies at Amoy June 1871 Total 25.50 +
 Do " " December 3. 1871 30.00

Yokohama August 22 1871

Messrs Brown Shipley & Co

London

Gentlemen

I have this day drawn upon you
under credit No 6101 dated London 13th
March 1871 for £349.17. Three hundred and
Forty Nine pounds, nine shillings and seven
pence sterling, in favor of Messrs W Hewitt
& Co - at six months sight, which you
will please honor & place to account of
Messrs Keene, Hastings & Co of Boston.

I think I have ~~been~~ ^{been} ~~very~~ ^{very} ~~much~~ ^{much} ~~of~~ ^{of}
have got the whole amount. Yours truly
1130 Finsbury Avenue to ^{Master Ship} ^{Midnight}
to Agents Commission of 1% which I have
paid here - but have given him a bill to
Cashman & Co for the amount of £42.11.6.

I have sent per this mail the English mail
also to Mr Cashman the receipts for the
Coal, requesting him to collect some share
in to your Bankers as heretofore. Yokohama
is not quite as cheap as we thought
but I have tried to keep bills small.

To make quite large purchases of Goods etc for
you - but have in my 2^d put all in a separate bill.
I will send you herewith a list of articles
bought for you - trusting this will suit you all
well & I remain, gentlemen, your faithfully
J. B. Keene

London -
Triplets of
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August 22 1871

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of 1830
New York
of 1830

Yokohama August 1887
 Miss Henry Hastings
 Boston

Gentlemen

I last addressed you the 4 inst. I now have the pleasure of informing you, that the 'Midnight' is ready for sea, and will probably get off early to morrow morning.

From my advice from our agents in China I think our chance for good business, best at Shanghai & shall get there as speedily as possible. — In settling for my Coal I think I have managed well — inasmuch as I have got the whole amount as per B/L — viz 1130 Tons — amounting to £2,147. This is subject to agents Commission of 2% which I have not paid here — but have given him a letter to Croshaw & Co for the amount of £42.15.6.

I have sent for this mail & the English mail also to Mr Croshaw the receipts for the Coal, requesting him to collect same & pay in to your Banker as heretofore. Yokohama is not quite as cheap a port as we thought but I have tried to keep bills small.

I have made quite large purchases of Curios etc for you — but have in my 9c put all in against self. I will send you herewith a list of articles bought for you. Trusting this will find you all well & remain gentlemen yours faithfully Croshaw

Wm Henry Harrison
 1800

Friend

I have been thinking of you the last 24 hours
 have the pleasure of informing you that
 the "Herald" is ready for you, and will
 probably get off early tomorrow morning.
 From my letter you can see that I have
 taken care to send you a copy of the paper, but
 at the same time I shall get there as quickly
 as possible. — In writing for you I
 think I have managed well — I have
 done for the whole amount of \$100.00 —
 1130 Two — Commission of \$2.14. This is subject
 to your Commission of \$2.14 which I have not
 paid here — but have from him a letter to
 brookman for the amount of \$2.14.
 I have sent for the mail of the 1st inst. and
 also to Mr. Brookman the receipts for the
 coal, requesting him to collect some of the
 in to your bank as a mortgage. I have
 is not quite as cheap a part as we thought
 but have tried to keep the price low —
 I have sent large packages of goods etc for
 you — but have in the part out in a small box.
 I will send you tomorrow a list of goods
 bought for you. — Trusting this will find you all
 well & happy.

Shanghai Sept 11 1871
 My dear Mr. Hastings
 I have just received your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the purchase of goods for the mission at Hong Kong. I have been very busy since I received it, but I have now had time to look into the matter. I have found that the goods you mentioned are all available, and I have been able to purchase them at a very low price. I have also been able to secure some other goods which I thought you might like. I have now packed up the goods and they will be ready for shipment in a few days. I have also arranged for the shipment of the goods to Hong Kong. I have been very busy since I received your letter, but I have now had time to look into the matter. I have found that the goods you mentioned are all available, and I have been able to purchase them at a very low price. I have also been able to secure some other goods which I thought you might like. I have now packed up the goods and they will be ready for shipment in a few days. I have also arranged for the shipment of the goods to Hong Kong.

List of articles bought for H. H. En
 7 pieces bronze 2.00
 3 tea sets & several pairs vases - 70
 8 cabinets 4 work boxes - 4 stoves 38.50
 List of sundries - 27
 I have some few other articles but they are
 now packed up in one box & I can not tell the
 cost much. I have been very busy since I received your letter, but I have now had time to look into the matter. I have found that the goods you mentioned are all available, and I have been able to purchase them at a very low price. I have also been able to secure some other goods which I thought you might like. I have now packed up the goods and they will be ready for shipment in a few days. I have also arranged for the shipment of the goods to Hong Kong.

St. Mr. Table, Mr. China, as I do not
 like them but I can not offer for one
 that will pay to accept. I have been very busy since I received your letter, but I have now had time to look into the matter. I have found that the goods you mentioned are all available, and I have been able to purchase them at a very low price. I have also been able to secure some other goods which I thought you might like. I have now packed up the goods and they will be ready for shipment in a few days. I have also arranged for the shipment of the goods to Hong Kong.

at the present time rates in first class are
 £3.10 and I can assure you that they will cost
 me a full cargo, time enough to start off
 with the early monsoon. There are a number
 of ships on the berth, but most of them have
 other engagements. Thus far, our engagements are
 small, but we hope to commence the first cargo
 soon. Since leaving Hong Kong I have cleaned
 up the decks thoroughly and repainted the
 white on the hull and all the

Shanghai Sept 11 1871
 Messrs Henry Hastings & Co
 Boston

As I
 advised in my last. I sailed from Yokohama
 Sunday morning the 20 inst, and arrived at this
 port Sunday Sept 30. Two days from
 I experienced the heaviest Typhoon I ever
 encountered, but got through it without
 damage to either spars or sails. I left there
 just at the right time as events prove. The
 gale is reported as the hardest ever known
 at Yokohama - Prospects look so favorable
 for New York - And nothing else offering for one
 that will pay to accept. I have accordingly
 allowed the Messrs Offshore & Co to lay the ship on
 at this present time rates in first class at
 £ 3.10, and will assume me that they will get
 me a full Cargo, time enough to start off
 with the early monsoon. There are a large
 of ships on the berth, but most of them have
 full engagements. Thus far, our engagements are
 small, but we hope to commence in good earnest
 soon. Since leaving Yokohama I have cleaned
 up our between decks thoroughly and repainted it
 all over - the white on inside one coat, all the

north of the ship, but I think it looks well enough in
 consequence to pay for doing so. They insured
 me so much in Singapore last voyage that I
 had no opportunity to do more, than just brush
 off the worst of the one dust. While staying
 in Yokohama, we decorated the outside of the
 ship, all over and have given that two coats
 of paint, so that I can not report the
 "Midnight" as looking ³⁰⁰ worse & cleaner
 inside and out. My working force this voyage
 is remarkably efficient. I have the best
 second officer I ever had, and what is quite
 unusual, there is perfect accord between him
 & the chief. Mr Kendrick I need say but little
 for as he is known. I will say however that
 I think him worthy to promote, and with
 your consent, I propose upon arrival home,
 nomination in his favor. My Cook & Steward
 are both good & efficient. As yet I have
 heard no complaint in consequence of not
 having enough to eat, although I believe we
 are actually using rather less than usual
 scale of food. I have an abundance of
 salt meat, but Flour, Bread, Molasses & a few
 such things are about used up. will have to
 procure a new supply before leaving this port.

I have been thinking of you very much lately, and wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write to you. I have been thinking of you very much lately, and wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write to you.

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I got along splendidly with the agent of the French Company. I proposed to him ^{upon} arrival, making a small discount in order to avoid the trouble of weighing, but it was of no use. I found nothing short of weighing would suit him. He accordingly weighed at the Coal upon our own scales, with a result remarkably satisfactory. I think at sailing he was the best satisfied Frenchman in Yokohama. I gave him about 1300 tons of Coal - as long as he thinks so, Hadwell. I sent to Mr. Croshaw & Co. Two receipts for the whole quantity as per Bpl. The original I sent per American mail & duplicate per P & O. Each of the mails, of any size, I shall enclose with the duplicate, so that in case of accident you may have it, to show how much I delivered. I did not pay the Agents commission of 2% at Yokohama, but instead, gave him an order on Croshaw & Co. for Collection in London. Exchange being high, I thought I would save all I could, & he was perfectly satisfied. I commenced writing my last letter in my cabin, but was called on there suddenly & obliged to finish on shore. Consequently when I closed, the proper list of articles purchased first stop - lay on my cabin table. - I made another cut from memory. - I believe it was quite in perfect. I shall probably add something to the Collection in this place.

and will send you an amended list of articles before
 I sail. Miss Chath Thornele promised me, that in
 case any letters came to hand for me, they would
 forward same to Shanghai. Not receiving anything
 per last mail, I conclude you have nothing special
 to say - My last advices from Boston were dated
 20th June - I should have telegraphed you upon
 arrival here, had the wires been in working order,
 but they have not been working, since the
 late fall at Hong Kong - which was especially severe,
 doing much damage, both on shore & afloat.

We are all quite well on board, and
 hoping this will find you all the same & that
 next mail will find me about ready for sea
 with a satisfactory freight list - I remain
 Gentlemen Respectfully Yours Obedient Servant

Wm. H. Hock

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 wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are
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arriving at Shanghai Oct 11th
 Messrs. Messrs. The ship
 will be left for Hong Kong
 tomorrow.

I last addressed you Sept 11th
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 from the loading - On the 14th
 instant I sent you the following
 telegram. "Hastings, Boston, Mass. Looking
 here New York - Departure probable
 October." Not having heard from
 you but once this or ago of that being
 since last - I thought I had better
 let you know that I was loading
 so that you need make no other
 arrangements. I must anticipate
 getting off in about two weeks from
 this date. They all say that tea
 is extremely scarce here just now,
 otherwise I would have filled up
 more quickly. Except the flooring
 tier of 50 tons - which comes ten shillings
 cheaper - rates are £3.10 per ton of
 forty feet. At present there are
 four vessels on the berth for New York
 and all working slowly. The masons
 having now got fairly set in I am

I have been thinking of you a great deal lately
 and wondering how you are getting on. I hope
 you are well and happy. I have been very busy
 lately, but I have managed to find some time
 to write you. I have been thinking of you
 a great deal lately and wondering how you are
 getting on. I hope you are well and happy.

anxious to get loaded & start off on my passage. The ship will be light and in good sailing trim, therefore I hope to make a short run down the Abnissan sea —

at present I have not been able to obtain anything else, but half chests of Tea of course with nothing for small stowage. I must lose some room. They have promised me they would try and get me a few Quarters, before closing off — otherwise we shall lose considerable — I shall write you again & more fully before sailing —

Keeping this will find you all well
I remain gentlemen your
Obedient Servant
Jas. Brock

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Shaybar 1871

Cash to Mate Total	52.30	
3 rd class	36.00	
Carpenter	20.00	
Cook	41.20	
Steward	50.00	
John Hanson	70.50	
John Johnson	12.50	
Rich ^d Fish	10.00	
John Wilson	10.00	
John Jones	10.00	
Swelling	8.00	
John B. Brown	10.50	
John Pettit	10.00	
Bill	8.40	
John Watkins	3.40	
Henry Long	3.40	
	<u>\$ 297.20</u>	

Total amount of
Cash advanced Officers &
crew on board

W. H. B.

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Shanghai 1871

By the Articles brought
alongside from Boats & no money
paid for provisions & other

Cash to Mate Total	53.30	
" 2 nd do	36.00	4.00
" Carpenter	20.00	3.50
" Cook	41.20	2.75
" Steward	50.00	1.50
" John Hanson	10.50	1.50
" John Johnson	12.50	1.25
" Rich Fish	10.00	1.00
" John Wilson	10.00	1.00
" John Jones	10.00	2.75
" E. Weller	8.00	1.00
" John B. Smith	10.50	1.00
" John Pettit	10.00	1.50
" J. Bell	8.40	1.50
" John B. Smith	3.40	1.25
" Henry Lewis	3.40	

Total amount of \$297.20 15.25

Cash advanced Officers & crew on board 75.40

G. W. F.

Shanghai 11

List of Articles Brought
alongside from Boats & no Vouches
Capt Stewards Memo

Sept 5.	2	pc Sweet Potatoes	4.00
"	15	2 "	3.50
"	2	Bag Turnips	.50
"	18	3/4 pc Sweet Potatoes	3.75
"	22	1 " Irish "	1.75
"	1	" Sweet "	1.50
Oct 2	2	" "	2.50
"	1	" Irish "	1.50
"	1	" Sweet "	1.50
"	1	" Sweet "	1.25
"	16	3 " "	3.75
"	20	1 " "	1.00
"	25	1 " "	1.00
"	30	1 " "	1.00
"		Bag Turnips	2.75
Nov 3.	1	pc Sweet Potatoes	1.00
"	4	12 min Wood Oil	6.00
"	10	10 pc Sweet Potatoes	10.00
"	3	" Peas	7.50
"	30	16 Onions	1.50
Sept 6	1/2	Bag Turnips	3.00
"	15	1 Bag Turnips	2.50
"	30	1 " "	2.25
Nov 1	5	" "	10.50
			18.25
			75.40

These I bought at ship
as opportunity presented
being the cheapest way to Procure
Shanghai 11/11 G. H. H.

1877 Ship Midnight in Jewish-Gall Brook Dr
 Nov 9 To Cash paid boat on board 297.20
 " " Supplies bought along side 75.50
 " 1 Bill of Lumber & Shingles 22.50
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Or By Cash from
 Miss O'Connell Total 963.97
 By 100 lbs Ballast c 25.00
 1/2 Bbl D Apples 10 \$998.97

C & O E
 Shanghai Nov 9 1877 J. H. Brock

My dear Mr. Hastings
 I have the pleasure to inform you that the
 goods ordered by you have been received and are
 now in the hands of the carriers for delivery to you.

The following is a list of the articles brought for you
 for 2 sets of 8 drawers each
 7 Pieces Bronze Carvers 60
 3 Tea Sets & several pair Vases 70
 3 Cabinets 20.50 4 Ward Boxes 14. 34.50
 4 Glove Boxes 4. 2 sets Wadlets 7.50 11.50
 2 Single Wadlets 2. 2 Boxes 8. 10.
 2 Big Jointed Poles 8
 1 Long do 1.20
 3 do do 3.40 2 Silk Long 2. 5.40
 with a Round Laid out Table 5.
 of £516 Dressing Case 5.
 Current Set of Tapes 15.
 Small Big Boxes Artificial Fibre 3.50
 229.10

breakages All packed in Boxes & wrapped
 a little with & stowed under Puffs
 16.4. as the men have not yet returned
 as the men have not yet returned
 I am satisfied a good deal of the
 I have endeavored to keep the bills down
 but I am sure to be a good deal of the
 he will find it all right & I am sure
 in his business & I am sure that I
 could not do better. The goods are in
 the hands of the carriers & I am sure
 that they will be delivered to you in
 the best manner possible.

Shanghai Nov 7th 1871 11 PM

Mrs. H. Hastings Esq. Boston
 Boston. At least

The "Wilmington" is loaded and ready
 for sea. Pilot & Steamer to be alongside
 at 5 AM to proceed down River.
 It has apparently been a hard matter
 to pick up a cargo. The P. M. S. Co. Steamer
 take so much of the American Tea
 that it leaves us few sailing options -
 We have a good cargo of 1482^{1/2} tons
 with a freight list aggregating the sum
 of £5162.8/6. I could have put more in
 if I had obtained anything for
 small stowage - as there are some
 breakages - but I am loaded full &
 a little more. Am drawing about
 16,000 tons - and have in 200 tons ballast.
 As the monsoon has now got regular
 I anticipate a good run down the sea.
 I have endeavored to keep my bills down,
 but I am sorry to say they aggregate quite
 a heap - You'll observe I had to have a
 new house pipe - but a fearful expensive one
 it has been. I have bought nothing that I
 could well avoid. The Remingtons in freight
 cost me 1000 lbs. that my accounts over your
 company I have not yet received.

my credit, in the sum of One thousand
 & twelve dollars $\$1100$ - to settle which I
 have drawn upon you direct, in favor
 of Messrs. Oliphant & Co. at sixty days
 sight $\$1082.67$ - payable in Am Gold Coin.

The balance of the account I have settled
 by draft on Brown Shipley & Co. London
 to the whole extent of my credit.

I send you herewith Messrs. Oliphant & Co.
 account with the ship - The sum of money
 money expended & all the vouchers for
 both accounts as well as a copy of my pen
 letter to our Bankers. You will find with
 a Memo. of money I have expended there
 for articles, bought at the ship from my
 boats. This was the cheapest way I could
 procure the articles, but I could get no better.

Orders to Crew have been rather large but
 they all understand that they pay for the
 money. I have had much sickness amongst
 the crew which has added somewhat to my
 bills. My Second Officer is now very sick,
 & it is rather doubtful if he recovers. But I
 have one or two good men in my fore-caste
 to substitute. He is so desirous of going
 out in the ship, I have concluded to take

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 be very wise to have him. I have one extra
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 by the American Consul, one of the ten
 dollar papermen. He had none but I made
 out to avoid getting them. I also enclose
 her a number of Currier I have bought
 for H. H. Esq. which you'll observe aggregate
 the sum of two hundred & twenty nine dollars.
 I have paid for all these things in my own
 account which can be explained by &c.
 I have bought of O. & Co. some Olney Pen
 for H. H. Esq. & a box of Capt. Hatch's favorite
 mixture for him. They put an item

of some old Te of J. in the bill amounting
 to 25.89 cents - which you'll please observe.

The "Midnight" is in good order & strong
 and with any kind of chance, should
 make a good report. At all events
 she will do us well in circumstances
 will admit. Everything safe at all times.

As it is almost time for me to go to bed
 I will quit scribbling. Trusting this will
 find you all well. I remain
 your obedient servant
 Geo. H. Brock

the chance. He is a good officer & I think
he may be a good man. I have one other
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John W. Brown
Hartford, Conn.
Dear Sir
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Charles H. Parker Esq

North Bedford East for Amos, North Bedford Mass.

I have just received the following letter from the
Board of Trustees of the Boston School
at a meeting of the Trustees held on Wednesday July 21 1876.
an Motion of Mr. A. B. Broad it was voted to go into the election
of a Librarian and Treasurer. whole number of ballots cast
5. For George A. Church 31. For A. B. Broad had 2. most in
elect.

At this day further record
attest

Geo. H. Broad

Miss Kate Hastings

1728 Beacon St, Boston Mass
My Dear Miss Hastings.

I am greatly in need of some
ready money. Therefore if you could possibly send
me the money you borrowed of me in June 1872
you would greatly accommodate me. as I need
it very much indeed. Trusting you are quite
well. I am Yours Truly

Geo. H. Broad

Received of
Miss Kate Hastings
\$10.00

11th June 1874

My dear Mr. [illegible]

I have been thinking of you very much lately

and hope you are well

Yours truly [illegible]

[illegible]

[The main body of the letter is written in a very cursive and overlapping script, making it largely illegible. It appears to be a long, flowing paragraph.]

Yours truly [illegible]

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August 15th 6

Charles J. Adams Esq. Treas.

Faneuil Hall Cuts Lamp / Board

Faneuil Hall Maps Dear Sir

Dear Sir

Herewith I hand you out a copy from the records of the Adams
 check No 1926 North W. Bond of Boston Town: Coffin Lancaster School
 for 1844. One thousand dollars to the Nantucket. of which you will receive
 placed on deposit for the Account of that I have been elected Treasurer
 of the Adams Coffin Lancaster School of Nantucket. Will you
 please to forward for
 Treasurer. I wish to forward for
 check for dividend, to me as Treasurer.

Please send this and forward and Oblige
 me the book when ready —

Respectfully yours

Geo H. Brown

Treas.

August 17th 6

Treasurer Boston & Albany RR

Boston Mass

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Respectfully yours
J. M. Brown

April 10th 8

May 20th

(Carbide Mechanics Natl Bldg)

West B. Cape, Mass.

to J. Holmes, Esq.

President of the Trustees

Free School, May

Dear Sir

Your favor of 18th inst.

with deposit of \$1000.00 for the purchase of the property of the Free School, was just received. I am to have last night, 19th inst. the last of the property of the school.

I am sorry to hear that I did not receive a letter from you. I will say - that the Treasurer of the morning - saw the delay in the morning.

"Optimism" is your office in the morning. I am sorry to hear that you are not yet received.

Board of Trustees. I have full power to act without calling upon the Trustees for authority.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, for the Trustees

Respectfully,
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Oct 21st 6

Saml W Hervey Esq. Teacher
Mechanic Hall Bond, New Bedford Mass.

Dear Sir

At the last quarterly meeting of the Trustees of "Edmunds & Isaac Coffin's Lancasterian School" of New Bedford, Mr B. L. Easton resigned his office of Secretary & Treasurer. And I was elected to fill the vacancy. Will you please hereafter forward to my address, the dividends, - as they become due - upon the stock which we hold in your hands.

If you will notice, the last check you forwarded was indorsed by me as Treasurer. Mr Easton to whom it was sent - having handled some time.

Yours Very Respectfully

Edw H. Brock

Treasurer of Coffin School

Montreal Nov 23 1886

Mr John W. Brown
 Dear Sir
 At a meeting of the trustees of Massena Lodge
 Building held yesterday, it was decided in view
 of the time, to make a reduction in payment
 on this note. Four years ago it was \$8.33 per month.
 We are willing to cut off 1.33. Making four years and one
 year down other for amount for this amount.
 That is four years \$7.00 until June 1891. After that
 continue. That at the end of the amount four
 years of four years, interest. And pay four
 months and promptly after that, on the first of
 each month. And we shall insist upon it as a
 condition, that if the note is not promptly paid
 as it becomes due, this agreement shall be void.
 And the note go back to the original terms of
 \$8.33 per month.

Respectfully,
 John W. Brown
 Treasurer

Nantucket Nov 25th 1896

Mr John W. Brady

Dear Sir

At a meeting of the Trustees of Masonic Lodge
 Building held yesterday, it was decided, in view
 of the times, to make a reduction in your rent.
 in this case. Your rent now is \$8.33 per month.
 We are willing to cut off \$1.33, making your rent an
 even seven dollars per month for six months.
 That is from Dec 1st 96 until June 1st 97. Upon these
 conditions. That at the end of this month you
 pay up your whole indebtedness. And pay your
 monthly rent promptly when due, on the first of
 each month. And we shall insist upon it as a
 condition, that if the rent be not promptly paid
 as it becomes due, this agreement shall be void,
 and the rent go back to the original figure of
 \$8.33 per month.

Respectfully Yours

J. H. Brock
 Treasurer

Received of John W. Brady
 \$100.00 Nov 25 1896
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Feb 25 7

C. S. Jacobs, Esq.

10 Beacon St. Boston Mass

Mr. Wm. Kelly

No. 2 Exchange St. New Bedford

Dear Sir

Owing to the late storm

your package has not yet arrived. I will be glad if you
will reach us until late this afternoon. My daughter

expresses me to say that the

only fault has in any way

and she is greatly pleased with it.

I have the pleasure to send

my check No 76. The Nat Bank otherwise it will belong to us -

for 50 - as per enclosed bill - There is a balance of 50. Fifty dollars

which please receipt and return. I am last year out - please remit

Yours Truly

Geo. H. Brooks

I wrote you several months ago but have received no answer.

I wish to know if you still consider yourself the owner of one share. It is necessary that you should know. Mr. Moore has let

the share repeatedly since January 1877. If you still hold the share he will keep

the money received to your credit -

The Nat Bank otherwise it will belong to us -

There is a balance of 50. Fifty dollars

I am last year out - please remit

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Yours Truly
Geo. H. Brooks

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My dear Mr. B. I have just received
your letter of the 10th inst. and am
glad to hear that you are well.
I am well and hope these few lines
will find you the same. I have not
much news to write at present.
I am, however, very much interested
in the progress of the cause.
I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
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H. H. B.

Mr E F Meyer

Feb 25th

Dear Sir

I pledged my word to the Agents
of Texas - that I would be responsible
for the tax on the horses - I would
be responsible for a little over eight dollars.
I still have the fine for I can't see
I will answer like to pay Mr. Harkness
his bill as he is getting troublesome
about it. - Can you make
another payment to enable me
to do so - If possible please
do it and Obly

your - In N. B. Books

Lowell Brook

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Handwritten: A. H. M. ... March 27, 1873 ... Brookfield, Mass. ... Dear Sir,

Brooklyn N.Y.

The enclosed bill was
handed me by Mr. Fort. Stewart
I send you check No 1384 in Pacific
Nat B and for 12.00 - Adventure 5000
shillings - the amount of bill -
Please to have all the subscriptions
commenced January 1 1877 and
send us the back numbers of
all except the St Nicholas

Respectfully Yours

Rev. H. Brock

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1855

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Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above named matter. I am sorry to hear that you are not satisfied with the result of the investigation. I am, however, confident that the same will be corrected as soon as possible. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, &c.

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 I have the honor to acknowledge
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 Your obedient servant,
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June 21st

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April 12th

Mineral Springs, Pa.

19 Huntington New York Mr. Houghton

Gentlemen

About a year ago - I subscribed, through Messrs. W. H. Gould & Co. of Boston for the Canon -

I think that my subscription has fully materialized. In answer to an enquiry from Messrs. Gould & Co. I received a pleasant answer informing them that I did not owe the amount my subscription. The Canon for my having done so last year, no longer existing.

Therefore please remove my name from your list. Obedt
Yours Respectfully
Geo. H. Bover

Charles H. Houghton
Mr. Houghton

Dear Madam

The Canon for my subscription has been paid in full. I am sorry to hear that you have not received it. I will send it to you as soon as it is ready.

Yours Respectfully
Geo. H. Bover

June 8th 1847

S Jacobs Esq

10 Beacon St, Boston Mass

L J Moore Esq

East River, New York

June 28th

Dear Sir

Having had a call for the store, with a good chance to let it, I am anxious to know, whether you intend to occupy it again this summer. I have written you several times relative to the store, and the rent here, but got no kind of answer from you. Please answer this, and let me know what I am to depend upon.

If you intend to occupy, that and send. If not I ought to know it.

Respectfully Yours

Geo H. Board

Dear Sir

Which I have you book No 43000 - belonging to Admonal Esq. which person with me return at your convenience and Oblige

Yours Respectfully

Geo H Board

Wm D. Board

Respectfully Yours

Good day to your mother and all

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New Bedford Gloucester Co. N.H.

March 21st 4

Gentlemen

100th Mass. at New Bedford Mass.
 Yours of 18th inst. just at hand. In which
 you say that this is the third request. There is a mistake
 or error somewhere. A few weeks since the Command
 handed me the resolution which was the first intimation
 I had of the matter. Had it been sent to me when done
 it would have been paid promptly. At the time I received
 it there was no money in the treasury. And there is
 not a dollar now. I have been with the over-
 seers of the church the 22nd of the month. But for 7th the
 amount of the bill. Please receipt and return to me
 and oblige
 Yours truly
 J. B. Smith

July 21st

S. Jacob Esq

10 Beacon St Boston Mass

Dear Sir

I cannot understand why you
 do not answer either of my letters.

I have written you several times. Please
 respond to my good offers for the store
 thinking also a matter of course you were
 aware of my plan for summer. Last year
 Mr Geo E. Mearns hired the store for
 at the rate of 125.00 per year. You have
 paid me only 75.00. Which you would
 be kind enough to send me the balance.
 If not will you please be good enough
 to answer the letter and let me know
 exactly how we stand toward each other.

Respectfully Yours

Wm B. Brown

Respectfully Yours
J. H. Brown

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Charles Mycham as Natl Bank
New Bedford Mass
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Have the day account
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17.00. Limestone super added
Respectfully yours
Admiral Sir James Cuthbert Selous
13y Geo H. B. Brown

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Washington Oct 12 1857

Dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the estate of the late John A. B. & to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours,
J. A. B.

Very respectfully,
J. A. B.

Randolph Oct 17th 1897

Lombard Liquidator for

45 Milk St Boston Mass

Gentlemen

Your favor of 14 inst with an enclosure, referring
the Debentures belonging to the estate of L. H. Statton
No 22 00 A - 200 No 100 P - 50 - 500 - These
delivered to Miss Hagenman & sold of Kansas City.

In making up my accounts of Administration, all of the
papers relating to payments received for Miss H. L. were
given up to the residuary legatee. And whenever payments
have been received, they have also been handed right
over. Therefore I have not with me now the necessary
data to enable me to fill out the list of payments to
be paid. As Miss Hagenman & Laid have all of my
originals, they can without doubt make all the subsequent
needed. The do not come to make the payment required
for another check, will therefore perfect the surplus.

Respectfully yours

Wm H. I. Brown adin
E. L. of L. H. Statton

14th Nov 1840

Dear Sir

Will you please

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me a copy of the
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Yours faithfully

Wm Lloyd Garrison

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Yours faithfully

Wm Lloyd Garrison

Washington Nov 22nd 1897
New England Publishing Co

3 Everett St, Boston Mass
Gentlemen

By request of Mr E. B.
Box, Principal of Coffin School,
I have for herewith the
check No 831. For Natl Bazaar
57.50 dollars - as per
enclosed bill, which please
receipt and return

Respectfully
Yours
Geo H. Brown

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Washington Dec 14th 1897
Chas E. Everett Esq
Tax Commissioner

Boston Mass

Dear Sir:

Your favor of 11 inst
in relation to the amount to be
credited to the "Admiral Sir James
Coffin Lencox School" is at
hand. The amount seems
satisfactory and there will
be no appeal made -

Respectfully yours

Geo H. Brown Esq
Admiral Sir James Coffin Lencox School

Portsmouth January 31 1808

Dear Sir

I have been trying to see you for several days - as I do not seem to meet you, I will however say what I particularly wanted to say for - In the first place I will say to you, that your generous offering with my sister Emma, has so far exceeded beyond what we expected or expected to see. The object of it, which was to assist our sister, I think would be in some degree at all. In addition to this, I will furthermore say - that we would like to have you accept the offering for herself - as you as our dear sister Emma and mother it amounts to more

Yours truly
J. M. Brown

Antucket January 31st 1898

Capt B. W. Joy

Dear Sir

I have been trying to see you for several days -
As I do not seem to meet you, I will herein
say what I particularly wanted to see you for -

In the first place I will say to you, that your
practical joking with my sister Emma, has
so far extended beyond bounds as to become a
positive insult. Now my dear Sir, must be
entirely done with. There must be no more
joking at all.

In addition to this, I
will furthermore say - that we would like to
have you vacate the rooms you occupy - as
soon as you can obtain rooms and make
it convenient to move

Yours Truly

Edw. H. Brown

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London 21st Dec 1887

My dear Mr. Hall
 Chief Inspector of the
 Metropolitan Police

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th inst. in relation to the proposed meeting of the London and North Western Railway Company, and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours truly,
 J. H. Hall

Nantucket July 31st 1898

Refus R. Wade Esq

Chief Inspector Public Buildings, etc

State House Boston Mass.

Dear Sir

a short time since, as chairman of
Board of Trustees of "Masonic Building". I was served
with a Notice requiring us to make alterations in
our building and also to place in rear of same
a fire escape. I must (with the approval of
my fellow trustees) protest against this proceeding.
Our Lodge only hold meetings once a month, for nine
months of the year. Our average attendance is less than
twenty persons. The nine of us (neither the trustees
or the members of the Lodge) feel that there is any
necessity for such action on your part. The
rooms are lighted entirely by gas. We feel that
your are requiring us to go to great expense which
we do not feel able to, and for which there is no
real necessity. Trusting you will rescind this order
I am yours truly
Geo H. Brock

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over. And this is presupposing the fact, that each
member of the family would be willing to allow
his or her share of the proceeds to be put away for
that purpose. I think that I can easily supply
about the whole of the proceeds of the
your letter of 22 July 1840
Prof. of Law, relative to the
exercise of our rights of law. I have been
late, has obtained my answer. Your check has
also been received all right. All has been
proprietor having signed the bill except three.
one of the two has no maintenance or maintenance
balance. No regard for your paper about
nothing. I have not again with you, but not less.
I think that you can realize the difficulty of
disposing of real estate, just now it is almost
lost. This I tell you that the Estate of
estate or thing it has lately been sold for 750.
and the balance of Mary Anne is paid it only
about 700. For with perhaps 3000 in a
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to sell. For the other have shown as yet, it
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Under the most favorable circumstances, the house
would not bring a fair, sufficient price for the

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Dear Sister Lydia

Your letter of 27th July was duly received. Press of business, added to the excessively enervating weather we have had lately, has retarded my answer. Your check was also received all right. All have contributed their proportion towards paying the bills except Thomas, who up to this time has maintained an admirable silence. As regards your proposition about selling, I partially agree with you, but not fully. I hardly think you can realize the difficulty in disposing of real estate. Just now it is almost worth-
less. Then I tell you that the Eliza Perkins estate on Winter St. has lately been sold for \$750. And the Alexander Macy House in Paris St only brought \$700. You will perhaps understand in a measure the difficulty attendant upon an attempt to sell. On the other hand should we sell, it would throw Emma entirely out of a home. Under the most favorable circumstances, the house would not bring a price sufficiently large, further

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that purpose. A fact that I am rather sceptical
about. In dealing with this matter, from a purely
selfish point of view, I would hold of both hands,
to get rid of the members, at any price. But I do
not think it right to allow my own feelings to
influence us in dealing with this matter.

I believe there is a prospect of a desirable tenant
taking the rooms in October. Who if they move in
will be quite likely to remain. In the meantime
expenses are reduced to a minimum. Of course
Taxes and Interest are our ever present quantity.

Just now Emma is taking entire care of herself -
with my Cousin. But I do not anticipate a long
continuance, for the reason that S. P. is exceedingly
feeble and as she grows worse. I hardly think it
would be possible for Emma to make out and
do the work and retain her own health. Should
real estate appreciate in value. And providing Emma
was willing perhaps it might be best for all concerned
to realize upon the property. The small annual
health here. And since seem to be gaining strength
strongly. Have had a few days of beautiful weather -
but it now seems inclined to change. With love from all
to you and yours. I am your aff. Brother S. H.

[illegible]

My dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the proposed change in the curriculum of the Boston School of Theology. I am very glad to hear that you have thought for a long time, that a change in the plan of teaching might be made, which the several benefactors would be greatly interested in. I have no objection to the change, but the fact that the school has been taught in such a successful manner, to those engaged in your noble work. The board thought that perhaps a plan could be devised, to carry on the school with the same at our disposal, so that the several benefactors to the community would be greatly interested in the result. With this object in view, I am authorized to write you to visit, and give us the benefit of your experience in such matters. If you can do so, it would be greatly to our advantage. I am sure your visit would be of great benefit to the school. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours, Wm. Brewster

Wm. Brewster
 Secretary of the Board of Theology
 Boston, Mass.
 September 10, 1847

Nantucket August 10 1891

Mr John T. Prince

West Newton Mass

Dear Sir

The Trustees of the Coffin School have thought for a long time, that a change in the plan of teaching might be made, whereby the resulting benefit would be greater and perhaps more in consonance with the views of the donor. In the past the school has been taught on lines precisely similar, to those employed for our public schools. We have thought that perhaps a plan could be devised, to carry on the school with the income at our disposal so that the actual benefit to the community would be greater than it has been in the past. With this object in view, I am instructed to invite you to visit us, and give us the benefit of your experience in such matters. If you can do so we should be glad to have you make your visit as early as possible. Please let me know your views on the subject and

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Yours Respectfully
Geo. H. T. Prince Sec

Robert H. Parker Esq
 Chairman of Town Committee
 Haverhill August 20 1887

Dear Sir

I have acknowledged the receipt of your communication relative to a Circular letter of notice. I must answer state to you, that the members of your Communication are numerous. The Trustees of the Coffin School did not vote against the Town Committee to formulate and submit some plan looking to the Consolidation or Union of the Coffin School with the Public School. Assumed as the Trustees of the Coffin School have never for a moment entertained any such thought. At the close of the meeting, a suggestion was made to you by our President, that whenever you could formulate a plan which the members from the front at our disposal could be used in a measure which would be of greater benefit to the Community, we should be glad to hear from you, and cover Council, the same.

The Trustees of the Coffin School do not consider it advisable to enter into any arrangement with the Town in regard to Consolidating the School.

Very Respectfully Yours
 Geo. H. Parker Esq
 of Boston & Haverhill

Nantucket August 20th 1898
 Arthur H. Gardner Esq
 Chairman of Towns Committee

Dear Sir

I hereby acknowledge the receipt of your
 Communication relative to a Consolidation of
 Schools. I must however state to you, that the
 premises of your Communication are erroneous.

The Trustees of the Coffin School did not by "vote"
 request the Towns Committee to formulate and
 submit some plan looking to the Consolidation or
 union of the Coffin School with the public Schools.

Inasmuch as the Trustees of the Coffin School have
 never for a moment entertained ^{which was entirely informal} any such thought.

At the close of the meeting, a suggestion was
 made to you by our President, that whenever
 you could formulate a plan whereby the income
 from the funds at our disposal could be used in
 a manner which would be of greater benefit to
 the Community, we should be glad to hear from
 you and would consider the same.

The Trustees of the Coffin School do not consid-
 er it advisable to enter into any arrangement
 with the Town in regard to Combining the Schools.

Very Respectfully Yours

Geo H. Brock Secretary
 of Board of Trustees

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Wm. McKim
New Bedford Mass

Dear Sir

I have received your letter
dated the 12th of 1850.

I have in answer
returned to you a copy of the
report of the Board.

Yours

Wm. McKim
New Bedford Mass
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New Bedford Mass
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Early Mechanics Nat Bank

New Bedford Mass

Dear Sir,

Have received your check

London Nov 126 Jan 12. 12. Twelve 50/00

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Geo. H. Bowen

Dear Bro. Thompson
a statement of the present state
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the rate of 60¢ aft. Oct 1, 1861
I would be glad to pay the bill
If you will send me your receipt
I will immediately
close the matter
Yours Truly
E. H. B. B. B.

I am your respectful
servant
J. N. Plover
Plover & Co. 1108
N. York

James Plover
N. York

Nantucket Oct 5 1878

Reverend Mr. H. A. Engh

State House Boston Mass.

Dear Sir

Being just returned after several
 absences I find upon my desk your
 favor of Sept 20th. Volving to some
 extent say that at the present time my Colleague
 who took charge of the matter is away from the island.
 I am informed however that all of the doors have
 been unlocked so as to open outward. Buckets
 also have been placed in available places in different
 parts of the building. Water buckets filled with
 water for immediate use. The building has
 not been used or occupied but once during the
 last four months. And then by only about a dozen
 people. Trusting this will be satisfactory.

I am yours, Respectfully

Geo. C. Break

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Montreal Oct 6th 1878

Dear Mr Thomas

In your letter of Oct 1st you accuse me of defrauding you. I sent you a statement as to the your son's & sister's, showing the amount of bill against the Old Hope, and the proportion due of each one. Your son & sister each paid their part, and I have no reason to think you would not do the same, therefore wrote a second time. If this is defrauding - well - then for the other matter. I am free to admit that you did send Charlotte in 1850 One Hundred and fifty dollars - for which you drew upon me in 1860. And the draft was paid at sight. If you had felt at that time that interest should have been paid, why in the name of Commendence didn't you put some in to your draft. Had you done so, most assuredly it would have been paid. Instead you waited nearly eight years after sending me the money, to inform me that I am still owing you a large sum. When I brought you home in the Whistler in 1868 for that pleasure I tried to pay the Owners of the ship 100 One Hundred dollars in gold for your passage. Besides handing you what money you needed to get yourself & clothing & shelter for the season. Since you have accused me of owing you a large sum

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Rev. Mr. H. H. H. H. H.

Mr. J. F. Hall

1800

Dear

Dear friend of a fortnight ago
 received yesterday. I observed the
 next morning that you were
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 letter which I received from you.

James Earl of Essex

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Monticello March 24 1791

Mr F L Hallett

4671 Broadway New York N.Y.

Dear Sir

Your favor of a 2nd mit. was received yesterday. I planned to meet Mr. Good last evening and told him what you wanted.

This forenoon he brought me the
plan which I enclosed herewith.

Zouar Arch

Genl. H. B. Brewster

Mr John A MacLung - a
52 E 20 St New York N.Y.

Replying to yours of 18th will
 write you the result per next
 Monday's mail. I cannot say
 as it is, I will say that I have
 a call last Tuesday from a party
 who desire to purchase. And I
 told them that I would give them
 the answer next week.
 I would therefore like to have just
 as soon as practicable
 Yours truly
 W. H. Brock

March 2^d 1830

General M. Wood Esq.
Michigan State House
Michigan State House

Dear Sir

In answer of your letter
of the 27th inst. I have the honor
to acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of the 27th inst. and
in reply to inform you that
the same has been forwarded
to the proper authorities for
their consideration.

Respectfully,
G. M. Wood

Notarized April 6th 1830

Notarized M. 13th 1830

Dear Sir
At the meeting of the
Board of Directors of the
Michigan State House
held on the 13th inst. the
Board have resolved to
accept of the donation of
the Michigan State House
Library and to place it
in the charge of the
Michigan State House
Library.

Some things will be found
as soon as possible
Bones dug
in the Rock

March 7th 1892

Andrew M. Wood Esq. Treas.
Middleborough Savings Bank
Middleborough Mass.

Dear Sir
As Treasurer of "Adams St.
Isaac Coffin's Lancasterian School" I
have several hundred dollars balance in
hand, which I should like to invest. If
you can to receive a deposit for us
please let me know. And I will forward
check to you.

Respectfully yours
E. H. Brock

Nantucket April 6th 1892

Mr William M. Barnes

Nantucket Mass

Dear Sir
at the meeting of trustees of the Coffin School
held yesterday, I was instructed to convey to you, and
you the trustees, the thanks of this board, for your kindness, as
well as promptness in conveying to us the donation of Mrs
Anna Mitchell Macy, in regard to her library. And I will
assure you that same will be cherished and will be kept
as the Fannie Mitchell Macy donation of the Coffin School
library.

With regards I am yours truly

E. H. Brock Secretary

March 7th 1892

March 7th 1892

New Bedford Mass
 March 1st 1841
 Dear Mr. Garrison

it there has been
no loss of any not acknowledged
this morning. Having become suspicious it
is being looked for 12.10 - was
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E. S. Brown Esq Boston
 Andrew M. H. Mechanic Nat Bank
 New Bedford Mass

Dear Sir
 Your check No 118. Dated 12th.
 In Isaac Coffin's School for 12.00 was
 duly received. Having become mislaid it
 was lost sight of and not acknowledged as
 it should have been.
 You are Respectfully,
 please let me know how to
 check to Isaac Coffin's School

March 18th

Mr A R Conkling
 170 Broadway New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir
 Replying to your letter of 14th.
 I will say that I have no objection to your
 putting my Cliff House upon your list.
 Although it must be remembered that our
 local agency is liable at any time to be
 sold for out. I have two houses at the
 Cliff. "Remission" is of two stories and
 out for 250. per season. "Remission" is
 in a step to half and out for 200 per season.
 In each house there are five sleeping rooms.
 There are no bath rooms in either house.
 In the out, room, which is now for washing
 & storage of tubs & provisions. There is a
 dry water closet. Yours truly
 E. S. Brown

Dear Sir,
 Our Postmaster, Mr. Hammond, has made repeated complaints to me, relative to
 a mailing case, which was ordered and has not been sent, as the one you sent does
 not fill the requirements. The case which he says he ordered, is on your list-
 slogan, numbered 134, mailing case and table.
 Mr. White, the Inspector, was here a few days since and was surprised that
 the case had not been sent, and gave strict orders that it should be.
 As this is one of the specifications in our lease, you will see at once,
 please forward same at your very earliest convenience.
 that we must have it.
 and advise me of your action.
 Yours Respectfully,
 John McNamee, Esq.
 Wilford, N.H.

Newmarket June 18, 1900.

John McNamee

change of take responsibility. There is a
 dry water about. Yours truly
 Geo. H. Brown

Nantucket April 11, 1899
 My Most Gracious & Distinguished
 Friend & Friend of the Nantucket

I have received the last two

of the Women's Home Companion -

addressed to Coffin School Library -

I note that you have received the order for

making same was up to November 1898.

I thank you greatly for your letter in

regarding the paper. But much as

our School is indefinitely closed, and

the Library also closed I would suggest

that you had better not continue sending

the paper any longer, as we have no use

for them.

Respectfully yours,
 Wm. H. Brock

Adm'd. in case. Coffin School

Nantucket June 12, 1900.

John McLane, Esq.

Wilford, N. H.

Dear Sir:

Our Postmaster, Mr. Hammond, has made repeated complaints to me, relative to a mailing case, which was ordered and has not been sent, as the one you sent does not fill the requirements. The case which he says he ordered, is on your catalogue, numbered 124, - mailing case and table.

Mr. White, the Inspector, was here a few days since and was surprised that the case had not been sent, and gave strict orders that it should be.

As this is one of the specifications in our lease, you will see at once, that we must have it. Please forward same at your very earliest convenience, and advise me of your action.

Yours Respectfully,

Wm. H. Brock

Received of Mr. J. B. Brown
the sum of \$100.00
for the purchase of
the land of the
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State of New York
in the County of
Saratoga
the 1st day of
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 Mechanics Not Bank
 New Bedford Mass

Gentlemen

I received per Monday Mail
your check for \$12⁰⁰ Twelve dollars on
account of dividend due on your own
stock in your Institution up to April 1st 1864.

Please accept our thanks for same.

Respectful Greetings

L. H. Bond Treas.

Admiral Sir Isaac Coffin

Our Foremaster, *Launceston School* expressed his most respectful compliments to me, relative to a sailing case, which was ordered and has not been sent, as the one you sent does not fill the requirements. The case which he says he ordered, is on your catalogue, numbered 124, -sailing case and table.

Wm. B. D. Davis
Contracted May 20 1860

Dear Sir,
 I have received your letter of the 11th inst.
 and in reply to inform you that the
 list of articles bought of me will be
 sent to you by the next mail.
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours,
 J. B.

James Thompson
Hill Street
New York City

Nantucket May 26 1900
 Messrs E. A. Carlisle Paper Co

Gentlemen
 Hingham Mass
 Boston Mass

Gentlemen
 Herewith please find my
 stored check No 773 Pacific Nat Bank for 15.30
 Fifteen & 30/100 dollars with enclosed
 bill of articles bought of Mr W H Gibbs
 who is working for us -

Please receipt & return bill to me
 And Oblige

Yours Respectfully

Geo. Brock

Treas of Union Lodge

Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th inst. in relation to the matter of the H. & J. Co. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Dear Sir,
 Yours very truly,
 Wm. L. G.

Wm. L. G.
 Secretary

Nantucket May 26 1900
 Miss E. A. Nantucket May 26 1900
 John W. Lane Esq
 Milford N H

Dear Sir

Herewith please find check
 No 774 Pacific Nat Bank for \$12.00
 Twelve dollars with enclosed bill
 for material furnished Mr H L Gibbs
 who is working for us
 Please receipt return bill to me
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Yours Respectfully

Geo H Sweet Toon
 Union Lodge

Received of Mr. J. B. Smith
 the sum of \$100.00
 for the purchase of
 land in the town of
 Smith, Co. N. H.
 This receipt is given
 in full for the
 amount of \$100.00
 and no other bill
 is to be received
 for the same.
 J. B. Smith
 Town of Smith, N. H.

Nantucket May 26th 1900
 Messrs William Carter Sons Co
 31 Court St Boston Mass
 Gentlemen

Herewith I send you my
 Check No 775 Pacific Nat Bank for \$8.55
 Eight 35/100 dollars with bill for
 Material forwarded to Mr H L Gibbs who
 is working for us Please receipt
 and return bill to Mr. and Oblique

Yours Respectfully
 Geo H Burt Treas
 Union Lodge
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Nantucket May 26th 1900

Wm. A. W. Bailey & Sons Co.

Wm. A. W. Bailey & Sons Co., Boston Mass.

Gentlemen

Enclosed with I send you my check
No 776 Pacific Nat Bank for
\$50.00 Five & 00/100 dollars for Material
sent Mr. H. L. Gibb who is working for us.

Please receipt & return the bill and

Obliged yours

Very Respectfully

Wm. A. W. Bailey & Sons Co.

Union Lodge

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Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th inst. in relation to the proposed extension of the charter of the New York and Hudson River Railroad Company. The Board of Directors of the Company have considered the same and have decided to extend the charter for a period of ten years, from the 1st of January, 1850, to the 1st of January, 1860. This extension is subject to the approval of the State Legislature. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, &c.
J. M. Jones
President of the Company

Nantucket May 28 1901

Henry B. North Esq

30 N Water St New Bedford Mass

Dear Sir

In accordance with the powers given us in the Trust deed, we now propose calling in the entire issue of 6% Bonds, made in April 1889. We propose making a new issue of 5% Bonds, in sums to suit, some bearing a multiple of 25. Interest on the old Bonds, will be computed up to June 1st 1900, at which time, interest will cease on them. The new Bonds will be dated June 1st 1900 bearing 5% interest payable semi-annually on June 1st & December 1st of each year. We expect that a majority of the present holders of Bonds, will exchange them for new ones. To all of those who do not care to do so we will pay Cash upon presentation of the Bonds.

Please let me know what you wish to do with your Bond at your earliest convenience and Ours Yours Truly Geo H Bond
Chairman Trustees

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the appointment of a Justice of the Peace for the County of Worcester. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been referred to the Board of Supervisors for their consideration. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been referred to the Board of Supervisors for their consideration. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been referred to the Board of Supervisors for their consideration.

Very respectfully,
 J. H. Jones
 Chairman of Board of Supervisors

Montreal May 21 1871

Henry B. North Esq

39 N Water St New York
Montreal June 2 1871

Dear Sir

Received from Mr V Gardjei Ten
Dollars as earnest money for
the right to use the premises for the
purpose of rental of store in Massena
St of some 6 1/2 ft wide. Massena April 1871
Brook next west of Post Office.

The agreement between myself and
Mr Gardjei is that I will let him
have the store above mentioned at a
rental of \$60. One Hundred and Eight
Dollars per annum. Some payable
quarterly in advance. The store to
be occupied by him as a Store for one
year. But the store is not to be
used by him to any part or for
any business unless he first obtain
the consent of the Trustees of the
Massena Building.

I am Sir
Yours
Geo H Brock
Chairman of Board of Trustees

Montreuil June 6 1840
 Mr. J. H. Mearns
 317 Broadway N.Y.
 Dear Sir:
 I have the honor
 to acknowledge the receipt
 of your letter of the 1st
 inst. in relation to the
 purchase of the book
 entitled "The History of
 the United States"
 by John P. Kennedy
 and to inform you that
 the same has been
 forwarded to you by
 express of the 4th inst.

Mount Auburn June 6 1900
 Mr. Wm. H. Macauley

385 Albany St. Boston Mass.
 Dear Sir

Herewith I hand you my
 check no 984 - Pac. Nat. - for \$9.00
 for 1/2 of enclosure bill. Matrimonial
 furnished Mr. H. L. Gibb. who has been
 working for us. I can return the
 bill to me receipted and oblige

Yours Respectfully
 Geo. L. Brook
 But the Union Lodge
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 can building unless he first obtain
 the consent of the Trustees of the
 Masonic Building

Geo. L. Brook
 Chairman of Board of Trustees

Wm H Macmillan June 6 1900

Mrs. G. V. G. R. Randall
Dorchester New Bedford Mass

Gentlemen I have just

drawn on the bank my check No 885.

Paid for 20. Amount of
furnished bill for material furnished

Mr. H. L. Gills who has been working
for me. Please return bill receipt to me

Yours Respectfully

Wm H Macmillan

Treas. of Union Lodge

New York June 6 1861
 My Dear Dr. & Friend
 149 North 3rd Street / Bedford Mass.
 Gentlemen

Herewith my check No 986
 for \$4.00 of enclosed bill of
 material furnished me by H. L. Gills who
 has been working for us - Please
 return me the bill receipted
 and Oblique Yours Respectfully
 John R. Brock
 James Marion Loring
 Friends of the Cause

Received of Mr. Moore
 the sum of £100
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Nantucket June 9th 1790

The Messrs. Saff. Co.

147 Mr. Southwicks Boston Mass.

Gentlemen

Herewith we send No 9886

Paid Note of Manufacture for 250 Two Hundred

and fifty dollars in payment of the above

enclosed bill of which please

return receipt and Oblige

our Obedient Servant

W B Brock

For the Messrs. Saff. Co.

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Newburyport June 11 1900

My Dear Brother

220101 Richmond St Boston Mass

Gentlemen

Through an oversight

the enclosed bill did not reach me

until this morning. Herewith I

send you my check No 993 for \$100

for it and a bill of \$11.50

which is for the balance

of my receipt and return of bill

to you and oblige

Yours Respectfully

Wm H Brown

Newburyport Aug 3rd 1900

My Dear Brother

220101 Richmond St Boston Mass

Gentlemen

The enclosed bill has been in my hands

about fifteen minutes. Otherwise it would have been

settled some. Please excuse delinquency -

Herewith I send you my check No 1002 for the amount

of \$43.50 Forty three 50/100 dollars. which please acknowledge

and oblige Yours Respectfully Wm H Brown Treas

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Wm H Brown

Received of the
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the sum of \$1000
for the purchase of
land in the State of
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the sum of \$1000
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Friend
Citizens Savings Bank
Free River Mass

Enclosed

Will you kindly put \$13.00
No 33224, which I send you herewith
"Lester & S. J. Davis. Cuffin. Lancaster
School. And also send to
Mrs. Cummings and Oblige
Yours Respectfully
Wm. B. Bond

April 2nd

Mechanics Natl Bank

New Bedford Mass

Gentlemen

Have received check for 15.00
Dollars in fee of Stockholders Dividend No 131.
Thank you
Respectfully Yours
Wm. B. Bond

Warren Institution for Savings

25 Main St. Charleston Mass

Gentlemen

Herewith I have your deposit book
No 67990 "Lester & S. J. Davis"
Lancaster School. Will you please
put same and return to me at your
convenience and Oblige

Yours Respectfully

Wm. B. Bond

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Nantucket June 27th 1890

John W. Lane Esq

Wesford N.H.

Dear Sir:

Not receiving a reply to my
 letter of 18th inst. I am apprehensive
 that some may have got lost. I must
 send you a copy of same from my letter
 book. "Regarding Jones of 15th inst. I
 will say that when we made the Contract for
 P.O. for tires, we did some misgiving about
 thinking that our Postmaster knew just what
 was needed. Had Mr. White says we need
 something different. Now my dear Sir, can
 you not select a point and send us
 the car we really need? I believe in
 the late Contract, this is the only article not
 satisfactory. He will gladly pay the
 freight, upon the car we now have and
 ship same back to you. If you can
 manage to it, thus we shall feel much
 better satisfied and so will the post-
 master also."

Trusting to hear from you
 soon. I am yours truly
 Chas. H. Bond

Have received check of 15th Effingham
 Dollars in fee of Stables. Dividend No. 131.
 Respectfully Yours
 Wm. H. Bond

July 14

Wm Morris, March 11 1844
 45 January 11, 1844

Dear Sir

I have just received from
 Miss Eliza M. B. a bill for
 \$3.75 for the amount of your
 bill for the amount of \$3.75 -
 This I shall return for you -
 The bill is for which I enclose
 three notes. Being out of town and
 unfortunately have alterations, I have to
 pay them out before I can return the
 notes - but I will do so, first of
 course as we can compare -

Respectfully Yours
 Wm Morris

July 14th 1860

Miss Morris, Murch & Butler

47 Summer St, Boston Mass.

Gentlemen

Herewith I have enclosed
No 127 Eliot Net Band for 35.50 Thirty five
supra dollars, that being the amount of your
bill less the amount charged for Buds -

This I shall return you soon -

The cottage for which I purchased
these articles, being out of town and
undergoing some alterations, it may be
two or three weeks before I can return the
articles. But I will do so, just as
soon as we can unpack -

Respectfully yours,

Wm H. Brock

James M. Lane Esq
New York
Dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the purchase of a lot of land in the town of New York. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been purchased and the title is now in the hands of the proper authorities. I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant.
James M. Lane Esq
New York

James M. Lane Esq
New York
Dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the purchase of a lot of land in the town of New York. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been purchased and the title is now in the hands of the proper authorities. I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant.
James M. Lane Esq
New York

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James M. Lane Esq
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New York
Dear Sir
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the purchase of a lot of land in the town of New York. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been purchased and the title is now in the hands of the proper authorities. I have the honor to be, Sir, your obedient servant.
James M. Lane Esq
New York

July 14
 Newmarket July 25-1890

John W. Lane Esq

51 Milford N.H.

Dear Sir

I have just checked
 No 132. Elmer N. B. Bond of Boston for
 1000. One thousand dollars - in 75 of our
 bill for P. C. fittings etc.

I should have sent this sooner, but
 I am sorry when to say, that the
 brethren of our lodge, who held the old
 issue of 1300, have been slow in making
 their exchanges. I expect to be in
 funds in a short time now, when I
 will send you the balance for account.

Respectfully Yours

Chas. H. Bond

Chairman of Trustees of
 Masonic Building

Handwritten: 1801

John M. Love Esq

W. W. L. L.

Dear Sir

Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours, &c.
 J. H. [Signature]

Respectfully Yours

to their feet
the old Dover

Dear Mother
 I have just
 received your
 letter of the 10th
 and am glad to
 hear from you
 and all the family.
 I am well and
 hope this finds
 you the same.
 I have not much
 news to write at
 present.
 Love to all
 Yours
 John

Nantucket Oct, 17th 1900

John Mc Lane Esq

Windsor N.H.

Dear Sir

Herewith I hand you my check No 1016
Pacific Nat Bank for Ex. ²² Eighty four ^{83/100} dollars
is balance due accounts. Please receipt the
enclosed bills, and return them to me.

Respectfully yours

John Mc Lane Esq

Wm H. B. B. B.

Windsor N.H.

Dear Sir

Nantucket Aug 17 1900

John Mc Lane

Windsor N.H.

Dear Sir

Herewith I hand you my

check Pac. Nat Bank No 1016 for am.

Five Hundred Dollars.

Just as given as I am in funds

I will send you the balance of

one year.

Respectfully yours

Wm H. B. B. B.

Windsor N.H.

Dear Sir

Herewith I hand you my

check Pac. Nat Bank No 1016 for am.

Five Hundred Dollars.

Just as given as I am in funds

I will send you the balance of

one year.

Respectfully yours

Wm H. B. B. B.

Windsor N.H.

Dear Sir

Herewith I hand you my

Aug 22 1866

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Wm. L. Garrison

One person among me of course and Old
 of there is my reason - that this is over
 was on the roof of the house -
 left on the floor & back of the
 to her great width, between the hole for the
 I did not become in getting up. Then becoming
 profuse without them. The small basket
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 put - I can assure that to me at least
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 together are right, but it seems to be that of
 Belton. The large one, we set up it being
 to superintend the further carrying of the
 This afternoon I went out to my Cottage
 one of the shipment of books.

Monday Oct 1 1900

My dear Mr. Morris

August 22nd 1891

Messrs. Morris, March & Butler
42 Summer St., Boston Mass.
Gentlemen

I addressed you this morning, informing you of the shipment of 1 Box Lap.

This afternoon I went out to my Cottage to superintend the further unpacking of the Bedsteads. The large one, we set up, it going together all right, but it seems to be short of the brass knobs - belonging on top of the four posts - Please forward them to me at your earliest convenience - as the bedstead looks unfinished without them. The small bedstead I did not succeed in setting up - There seeming to be a greater width between the holes for the bolts - on the Head & Foot pieces, than there was on the body of the bedstead -

If there is any peculiarity about this to be over - Come please advise me of same and Oblige

Yours Truly

Geo. H. Brock

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Newbury Oct 1200

Dear Cousin Columbus

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As I wrote you in my last - I sold the

Schenck property for 500, down and 300, to be

paid six months later. This was the best I could do

and I thought it better to sell in this way,

than to keep it along another year and

perhaps longer. As I cannot settle the

accounts through the probate court until it

two years expire, during my appointment, it

will make small difference any way -

I send you herewith our check No 154.

Eliot Nat Bank, Boston for 150 or thereabouts

and fifty dollars. And next spring, when

I get a discharge from the Judge of Probate,

I will send you whatever balance may be

due and an account of administration.

Please sign enclosed receipt & return
Trusting you are well. I am, J. C. Conant
B. H. Board

Received of J. C. Conant
the sum of \$150.00
Oct 12 1800
B. H. Board

Dear Sir,
 I have the pleasure to inform you
 that the same has been
 forwarded to you by
 the same conveyance as
 the other. I am, Sir,
 very respectfully,
 Yours,
 Wm. Lloyd Garrison

[illegible]

Oct 2nd

Cashier Mechanics Nat Bank
New Bedford, Mass.

Dear L.

Your check for \$1200.00
dollars, for dividend due Oct 1 1900
Received

Respectfully yours
E. H. Coffin Treas
Adminisr in Isaac Coffin School

Oct 2nd

H. E. Coffin

157 William St. Bridgeport Ct.

Dear Cousin

As I wrote you from Saratoga
I sold the old house for \$100.00 of which
was paid in Cash and the balance in 6 months
or sooner if purchaser desired. I planned
better to make them terms and get
rid of the property than to keep it hanging
and possibly do worse in the end.

Now with I have you check no 155. Eliot
Nat Bank, Boston for \$150. Had spring
after two years expense, my administration
will be ended. When I will send you
the balance left and an account of
administration. Hoping in an address

I am Dear old Cousin

E. H. Coffin

E. H. Coffin

I am Dear old Cousin

I hope for good over

My dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the
10th inst. in relation to the
above named matter.
I am very sorry that I cannot
do more than to say that I
am unable to do so at present.

Dear Mother
 I have just received
 your letter of the 10th
 and am glad to hear
 from you. I am well
 and hope these few
 lines will find you the
 same. I have not much
 news to write at present.
 I am, dear Mother,
 ever your affectionate
 son,
 John Smith

Carlin, Mechanics, N.Y.

April 12

Myr E A Carlisle Pope & Co
Hagman & Co 100 South St
Boston Mass

Gentlemen

Enclosed herewith I hand
you my check No 1059 Pa National
for 4.65 Four 65/100 dollars as per
enclosed bill - which please accept
and return and oblige
Yours Respectfully
Wm H. Board

Oct 5

My father's Coffin
Bridgeport Conn

Dear Cousin

As I wrote you some time
since, I sold the old house for \$1000
500 of which was cash and the balance
in 6 months. I thought it better to do
thus, than to hope on longer and possibly do
worse in the end. Herewith I hand you
check No 156. Elletts Nat Bank for \$150. -
Next Spring after two years will have paid
since I was made Administrator, I shall
clear all up and send you whatever balance
may be due with an Account of Administration.

Hoping you are all well
I am yours affl Cousin
Wm H. Board

Wm H. Board

Oct 30

Mr. W. H. Guild & Co.

111 Bromfield St., Boston Mass.

Gentlemen

Please receive my inscriptions

as follows

1 Boston Journal Matures Nov 12, 1900. 5.75

Harper's Monthly Magazine

Cincinnati, with number for Jan. 1901. 2.85

Harper's Bazar matures

Dec 28 1900

3.45

12.05

I enclose 50 per dollar - for which amount

I have for forward with my check No 24

Pacific National Bk. of Nantucket.

Yours truly

Geo W Bower

July 12 "

Mr Christopher C. Coffin

Stack Broker Monterey Co. - California

Dear Cousin

Having collected another Hematoid. gives me
 that much for distribution. Herewith I send you check
 No 248 Elit Nat Bank of Boston for Three, three per dollars
 33¹². Please sign me closed receipt and return it at

your convenience.

And Oblige

Yours aff Cousin

Geo W Bower

Oct 2

Black Box

My dear
 Thomas Coffin
 I have just received
 your letter of the 1st inst.
 and am very glad to hear
 that you are well and
 hope you are enjoying
 your journey.

Yours truly
 Wm. Lloyd Garrison
 25 N. 2nd St. N.Y.C.
 P.S. I have just received
 your letter of the 1st inst.
 and am very glad to hear
 that you are well and
 hope you are enjoying
 your journey.

Oct 2nd

Mechanics National Bank

New Bedford Mass

Gentlemen

Dividend check No 132 for

15 Fifteen Dollars received

Please accept our thanks for same

Respectfully yours

E. H. Brock

Treas Coffin School

Gentlemen

Samlers Lumber & Lumbermen

New York & Co. Building

Kansas City - Mo

Oct 26

Herewith inclose Cheque

for receipt for 15: 00.00. being

dividend No 132 @ 50% - upon par value

of 132 shares No 1618 - Serial P

Lumbermen & Lumbermen

E. H. Brock

E. H. Brock & Co. Boston

My dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the purchase of the land at the mouth of the river, and in reply to inform you that the same has been referred to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, &c.
J. M. Brown

Enclosed for you are four first class, one day's journey tickets, and a return ticket, for the purpose of enabling you to visit the place of purchase, and to return home, at the same time, without the necessity of purchasing a separate ticket for the return journey. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, &c.
J. M. Brown

Enclosed for you are also four first class, one day's journey tickets, and a return ticket, for the purpose of enabling you to visit the place of purchase, and to return home, at the same time, without the necessity of purchasing a separate ticket for the return journey. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, &c.
J. M. Brown

W. L. Barrington Esq

Army and Navy Flat 22 NW

Washington D C

My Dear Sir

Your favor of 5th inst with Check for \$100. and two promising Notes, was received Saturday last. We are having just now, quite a touch of winter, and at this writing our Steamboat is working hard in the Harbor, in the endeavor to break the ice, so that she may get out with the mails to-morrow.

I note your desire in regard to extending the time of final payment
and I myself see no objection to such a course.

Inasmuch as a copy of the agreement was forwarded to the
heirs at law, I do not feel that I have a right to disavow
that agreement, until the final payment has been made.
I would therefore suggest that I hold the agreement for the
present. By carefully reading that agreement you will see that
there is no risk to you of such a course. As I understood it,
after the final payment he made, the agreement became authentic.
And I hereby agree to extend the date of closure of that
agreement to conform to the date of your notes.

Trusting that you as well as your good lady, are enjoying good health and passing a pleasant winter with regards from my wife & daughter - I am my dear Sir Yours Truly

Geo W. B. Wood

5. General

Wm. H. H. H. H.

40 State St Boston Mass

Good-bye

Please forward same with bill
 I never take the 13th of the month yet
 200000 that are at 4% - 1000000 1000000 -
 the first circular of Jan 1 - 1890

which will be immediately settled

James Buchanan

Wm. A. R. R.

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January 6th 2

Messrs R D Day & Co

40 Water St Boston Mass

Gentlemen

In your circular of Jan 1st - you gave
500,000 West End St Ry Co - bond 4th 1915 @ 103 1/2 -
I would like the Bonds of this issue say
\$ 2000. - Please forward same with bill
which will be immediately settled

My Dear Sir

Yours Respectfully

Geo B Swan

Your favor of 5th inst with check for \$ 2000.00
Notes, was received Saturday last. The one being just
now, quite a touch of winter, and at the same time our steamboat
is working hard in the harbor in the endeavor to break the ice
so that she may get out to sea.

March 5th

W L Barrington Esq

534 Twentieth St - N W

Washington D C

My Dear Sir

I drop you a line that you
may know that I propose depositing
to-morrow (March 6th) your check for \$ 100.00 -
No 595 - Riggs Nat Bank of Washington D C

After a long forenoon we are now
having a spell of moderate weather.
And strangers are beginning to make
inquiries for Summer Collages.

I presume you had all the excitement
you needed yesterday on account
of Mr Wiley Mangasator. And I hope
the weather allowed all who wanted, to have
a good time, the opportunity.

Wishing you and your family keep on well.
And enjoying a seasonably amount of happiness.
I am, Dear Sir, Geo B Swan

My dear Cousin
Christened. Coffin Box
Dear Cousin, I have been thinking of
writing to you for some time but have been so busy that I could not find time to do so. I have been thinking of writing to you for some time but have been so busy that I could not find time to do so.

When I wrote you last I had reason to think
at that time, that I would be able to write up the affairs of
the estate and make some final settlement on this branch.
The fact is that I sold the estate property, and who was
to make final payment in March, has failed to pay his
agreement, and instead, I have been obliged to put off my
with a last payment of \$100. and payment of final settlement
next September. I have actually received
\$100 for the estate which is really less than it is worth. I
think we have little or no chance to recover. All this is about
it is brief if we get the other two hundred, it will be so much
more clear gain. I have for some time checked the 200
that National Bank of Boston for \$100 - \$100 - and
a statement of my administration, which you will see that
I have a balance in favor of \$100 and not responsible to the
account of \$200. You can reasonably expect to have some in
the future month's settlement. Please sign the enclosed
and return to me as above is needed for the probate court.
I am in
Very truly
Your affectionate
Cousin

the weather allowed all who wanted, to have
a good time, the opportunity.
I am glad to hear you are some days on well.
And enjoyed a seasonally amiable weather.
I am glad to hear you are some days on well.

Messrs R D Day & Co

Gentlemen

January 6th 2

40 State St Boston Mass

April 16th 1

Christopher C. Coffin Esq

Pleasant Canyon, Monterey Co. California

My Dear Cousin

When I wrote you last, I had reason to think at that time, that I would be able to wind up the affairs of the estate and make final remittances this spring.

The party to whom I sold the Sunset property, and who was to make final payment in March, has failed to keep his agreement and instead, I have been obliged to content myself with a cash payment of \$100. and promise of final settlement next September. Inasmuch as I have actually received \$200. for the estate which is really ^{200.} more than it is worth, I think we have little or no cause to regret. All that is about it is simply if we get the other two hundred, it will be so much more clear gain.

I send you herewith check No 233 First National Bank of Boston for \$50. Fifty Dollars - and a statement of my administration, of which you will see that I have a balance in hand of \$9.81 and notes receivable to the amount of \$200. So you can reasonably expect some time in the future another remittance. Please sign the enclosed ^{receipt} and return to me as same is needed for the probate Court.

Hoping you are well and prospering. I remain

Yours Aff. Cousin

Geo. H. Brown

1886 April 13

to the probate court

James Buchanan

Book - Mrs

I have for several the paper
relating to the case of the
executive order - as I was away when the
executive order was issued but just reaching the

Presidential Order -
for the removal of
the Secretary of the Treasury

Received by Mr. Wm. B. Smith
of the Treasury Department
March 11, 1847

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March 4th 2

Lombard Liquidation Co

Gentlemen

Boston Mass

I have for herewith the papers relating to Bonds of Estate of last March. Please excuse delay - as I was away when the were received and have but just reached them

My Dear Cousin

Respectfully Yours -

Geo. L. B. Foster Adm

Receipts No 1141 Series P Bond 1618
" " 1142 " H " 1210

Ex L. H. Starnes

May 4th

W. L. Barrington Esq

Army 1 May Flat.

22nd St NW Washington D C

My Dear Sir

I addressed you last early in March. It did not occur to me at that time that you would not get her as you thought you might early in April.

In calling at the Assessors office to day I find that the 'Sewer' property was again taxed to me as Administrator. Until the deed is properly recorded at the register of deeds I suppose it will be thus charged. Last year the tax was \$10.40. They have not as yet filed the entry for taxation, but I presume it will be full as much this year. The books will not be ready before July - Let me know whether you are coming. And if not how shall I fix the tax. With kind regards to yourself and fond kinship - I am

Yours truly
Geo. L. B. Foster

Manitoba May 5 1891

James D. Rogers Esq
Commissioner of
the General Land Office

Dear Sir,
I am very pleased to hear
of the success of your
mission to the
Northwest.

It is a great pleasure
to hear that you have
been successful in your
mission to the Northwest.
I am very glad to hear
of the success of your
mission to the Northwest.

Yours very truly,
J. D. Rogers
Commissioner of the
General Land Office

Manitoba May 5 1891

James D. Rogers Esq
Commissioner of the
General Land Office
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Lancasterian School

Gentlemen

David Folger Esq Administrator of Estate of Mrs
Harriet G. Calder

Dear Sir

As Secretary of Admiral Sir Isaac Coffin's
Lancasterian School it becomes my very pleasant
duty to acknowledge the receipt of the Portrait of
Lieut Alexander Potham, the Commander of the
Historic Brig "Ohio". The associations connected with
the Brig and her famous Commanders are such as to
cause the Portrait to be cherished and very highly
appreciated, and it will make a fitting companion
for that of the Admiral who was his friend in life.

With feelings of gratitude to Mrs Calder for her donation,
and to you her Administrator for your promptness
in delivering the same, I am Respectfully Yours.

Geo H. Brock

Care and Treasurer of
"Admiral Sir Isaac Coffin's
Lancasterian School"

Nantucket May 7 1901

Mr John M Lane

March 27th 2

Milford N H

Dear Sir

Herewith I have you check No 380 Eliza of Boston for \$5. Amount of enclosed bill - which please receipt and return and oblige

Yours Respectfully

Essex Brook

May 10th

The Knapp Mfg. Co

156 Beacon St, Boston Mass

Gentlemen

I would like to have you make me one half dozen shirts - like those you have made me previous - When the shirts are about complete, send me your bill, and I will settle same & return mail.

Do not send them to me C.B.D.

Yours Respectfully
Essex Brook

Antiquities July 11 1861

Dear Governor

Having collected over -
Over a hundred dollars more on account of the demand
I have for permit my check for 33 75
They have the other dollars, and a receipt which please
sign and return. I hope for good success
in my way to the top of the mountain during the
evening but weather. It being otherwise
I am not so far at the bank. I am extremely
sincerely with regards to yourself & wife
I am from Cincinnati

Wm Lloyd Garrison

Wm Lloyd Garrison

Dear Sir

J. L. Stephens

Wm Lloyd Garrison

My sincere sympathies for
the cause of the oppressed
and the persecuted
I am sure you will not fail to
do all in your power
to relieve the suffering
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Wm Lloyd Garrison

Dear Sir

Nantucket July 11 1901

Dear Cousin Harry

Having collected 100 -

One hundred dollars more on account of the Scarsel
House - I hand you herewith my check for 33⁵⁰
Thirty three & 50/100 dollars. And a receipt which please
sign and return.

Hope you and Amanda
can manage to keep comfortable during the
excessively hot weather. It being dividend
time with us here at the bank. I am extremely
busy

with regards to yourself & wife

I am your Cousin

E. H. Bross

June 24th
Riggs National Bank

Washington D. C.

Gentlemen

By instructions received from
Mr W. L. Barington. I forward you
herewith his note of hand drawn
March 4 1901 for \$100. with interest computed
at 6% per date. Please collect same,
and after deducting from our Acct -
 remit me check for balance - And
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Yours Respectfully

E. H. Bross

Newbury June 28 1901

H. B. North Esq

30 North Water St. New Bedford Mass

Dear Sir

A meeting was held yesterday of the Trustees of the Coffin School, for the purpose of deciding as to the best course to take in regard to representation at the Meeting called by the executor of will of Emily Swain. And it was finally concluded best to employ Counsel providing same does not cost too much. Will you kindly inform me at your earliest convenience how much your fee would be if we call you to act for us

Yours truly
Wm. H. B. Bovee Secy

June 26
July 2nd
W. A. Barmington Esq
Secy of National B. S. C.
My Dear Sir

In conformity with your letter of June 22 I forwarded the next day to the Riggs National Bank at Washington D.C. I received per last morning mail, the note in reply, with the letter I inclose herewith.

As I really need this money to remit to my Cousin, some of whom are quite needy. I should esteem it a favor if you could settle the note here and save me further trouble.

With regards to

yourself and forwarded - I am

Yours truly
Wm. H. B. Bovee

administrate

1901
Hartford July 11 1901

Dear Doctor

Your letter informing me of the
death of Rebecca was duly received.
I have been thinking of her at the bank
as very busy that I never saw her.
The act of no sympathy with her and her
in the great loss for her husband.
The loss of life and money is one that nothing
but time can allay. Although Rebecca has
not been able to find herself for a long time,
it must nevertheless be a great comfort to her to
know that her son if better was not a lonely
sufferer. I have received her husband's
children were on account of the same illness, I have
for her with my check for \$3. That three children, one
a receipt which I have given and return to me
Trusting that you are for an early well
I remain your Off. Servant
Wm. H. Brown

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Dear
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Wm. H. Brown
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Wm. H. Brown

M.B. North & Co.

Nantucket July 11 1901

Dear Cousin Augustus

Your letter informing us of the death of Rebecca, was duly received. It being dividend time with us here at the bank, I have been so very busy that I could not write.

We all of us sympathize with you and Eddie in the great loss you have both of you sustained.

The loss of wife and mother is one that nothing but time can allay. Although Rebecca has without doubt been failing gradually for a long time, it must nevertheless be a great comfort to you to know that her end, if sudden was not a lengthy or painful one.

Having received one hundred dollars more on account of the Sausch House, I send you herewith my check for 33. Thirty three dollars, and a receipt which please sign and return to me.

Trusting that you and your son are each well

I remain your Aff. Cousin

Edw. H. Boock

Received of M.B. North & Co.
the sum of \$33.00
July 11 1901
Augustus

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Wm. M. Pearce Esq. Treas.

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Book No 102039. I wish to have

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Respectfully

Bar. H. B. D.

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L. Baire Coffin

No 1742. - Admon. - Le bar. e. l'op.

Western School of Western Ark.

Please purchase return - done

James Reed O. B. L. Jr.

your respect

John C. Brown

Dear Joe
 Mrs. H. Brown

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Nov 21 1873

your most obedient

James Reid C. W. Lige

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Eastman School of Music

Wm. Budget Merritt & Co.

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16 Congress St Boston Mass Wm Budget Merritt & Co.

Gentlemen

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Gentlemen

I wish to purchase for the

Exp. Franc. Buffing. Association

of which I am Treasurer

One Bunch of 100 Buttons, Buttons

Oct 17 1891

July 1901

as

per your invoice for Oct 10 1891

Please forward me your bill for

same and I will return your

check immediately therefor -

Respectfully Yours

Wm. Budget

16 Congress St Boston

Mass

Oct 18 1891

Dear Sir,

I have the pleasure to acknowledge

the receipt of your check for \$100.00

and in response to inform you that

the same has been forwarded to the

Exp. Franc. Buffing. Association

as directed by your letter of the 17th

inst.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Yours, Wm. Budget

16 Congress St Boston

Mass

your favor of 16 inst with
enclosures at hand. Enclosures noted.
our mail last night delivered to
late for an answer for this day's mail.
I will graphed for this morning this
your of 17 inst received. I will
for satisfaction. Bonds and balance
to answer mail. I find you in
separate Ave. to day. Part 3 inst not
received. City of Springfield 70 blue
April 1 1903. per express mail.
I enclose herewith check \$100.00. Will Budget
for Savings for 1329 22 Mat. payable to
your order. also enclosed \$100 3 14.
Said National for \$100 3 14. making a
total of this letter of 2089 39 20 per
your statement. enclosed herewith.

Please forward me the Richmond
Lodge Home and Western R.R. Bonds,
which were received and Oblige

Yours Respectfully Wm. Budget

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16 Congress St Boston

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Oct 18 1891

Respectfully,
Jas. H. Brown
on your behalf in their case of the paper before
your case will be as often called
Mechanics Nat Bank
April 23

Jas H Brown
I am respectfully
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Wm. H. Brown
10 Congress St Boston Mass
Wm. H. Brown

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Oct 15

Messrs J. Blodget, Merrill & Co

16 Congress St, Boston Mass

Gentlemen

I have just received per this evening Mail
 your registered package, containing Bond All
 Central, St Louis dis 1000 3 1/2% No 9247.
 Herewith I hand you check No 312 City Nat Bank
 for \$1027.11 as per bill enclosed.

In your circular forwarded me yesterday, you quote
 Milwaukee, Lake Shore and Western R.R. 1st Mtly Bond 6's
 due in May 1921 @ 137 1/4%. Will you kindly forward me
 your attorney's opinion as to the validity of these bonds.
 If the interest is payable either in Boston or New
 York and all else satisfactory, I may purchase
 \$2000. I would like to turn in to you two \$1000.
 Springfield Mass. 7's due in April 1903, at market
 price, and balance in cash. Therefore when you
 forward me the attorney's opinion, I am might also
 send me a statement showing the amount of
 cash required to make the purchase.

Awaiting your reply. I am Respectfully
 Yours
 Geo H. Brock

April 2nd 1902

Mechanics Nat Bank

New Bedford Mass

Gentlemen

your check No 118 for \$5. Fifteen dollars
 on your dividend on stock held by the Coffin School
 received. Thanks for same.

Respectfully Yours

Geo H. Brock Treas
 Coffin School

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Oct 18th

Mr J. Wilkinson Elliott

Cargone's Building
Pittsburgh Pa -

Dear Sir

I have a small Lamon which I wish to plant a few trees - will go timing and in three weeks of the Rose variety - measure in your Catalogue at \$1. each I wish to have them planted this fall - you can send them per freight and forward me your bill per mail. Respectfully

Geo H. B. Brown

Wentworth Street

New Bedford & Eastern Light Co.

220 Middle St. New Bedford Ma

Gentlemen

Handwritten: I have for you a bill No 1124 Pac Nat. Exp. Co. \$6.00. Amount of bill enclosed which has just been forwarded by the Post Office. Please accept of it as full payment of your invoice and oblige Yours Respectfully

Geo H. B. Brown

Wentworth Street

Geo F Taft Esq Treasurer

April 17th 2

Wildes Smuggs Bank, 1 Boston Mass

Dear Sir

As Treasurer of "Admiral Sir Isaac Coffin Lancasterian School of Nantucket" I have in hand a little surplus money, which I would like to deposit with your Institution - If you can to receive same please send me one of your cards for filling - and I will attend to same at once

Respectfully Yours

Geo H. B. Brown

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Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the matter of the
Boston Convention, and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

Yours truly,
E. H. Rogers

Respectfully,
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John

Dear Sir:-

Oct 18
John D. Holmes Esq. Jones
Grace River Mass.

John McLane, Esq.

Milford, N. H.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Hammond, our Postmaster, handed me today your three letters, dated respectfully Sept. 7th, Oct. 8th, and Nov. 23rd, 1901.

When fitting the post-office, Mr. Hammond was allowed to order everything in accordance with his own taste or desire. We are naturally surprised that he wishes to make any change, and hardly feel ourselves called upon to foot the bill.

The Trustees had a meeting this afternoon, and decided, if we could get this work done reasonably, we would perhaps do it. Inasmuch as you fitted the office, originally, we would rather have you do the work, but do not feel that we can pay quite as much as you charge for same.

We have not as yet called upon any other party. Please let us know at your earliest convenience, whether you feel disposed to make any discount from the prices offered, and we will then decide what will be best to do.

Respectfully yours,

Geo H. B. Bross

Treasurer
And chairman of 13 round
of Trustees

Oct 18 / 1901
John D. Holmes Esq. Jones
Grace River Mass.

My Estimation of

27 December 1891

Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st inst. in relation to the above named matter. I am sorry to hear that you are unable to attend to the matter at present, but I am sure that you will be able to do so at a later date. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours,
 J. M. Smith

January 14th 2

Messrs Estabrook & Co

35 Congress St, Boston Mass.

Gentlemen

Some favor of 11 inst. instead of reaching me last evening in time for this morning's mail. did not come to hand until this morning - after our steam boat had left with this morning's mail -

I have inclosed herewith one check No 347. Elit Nat Bank for \$2,609.54 - as per bill enclosed in payment for the Atchison 4% Bonds you purchased for us in accordance with my letter of 7 inst. for payment of same. Sir Isaac Buffin's Lancasterian School, of which I am Treasurer - If not already forwarded please mail them to us at once and oblige
Yours Respt
E. H. B. Bovee

January 14th 2

Messrs Estabrook & Co

35 Congress St, Boston Mass.

Gentlemen We would like to have

\$2,500. of Atchison First Mortgage 4 7/8 100 year Bonds - if same can be bought at a price not exceeding 103 - would like 2 one thousand dollar 13 mths and 1 five hundred dollar 1 year -

These Bonds are wanted for Admission Sir Isaac Buffin's Lancasterian School of which I am Treasurer

Respectfully Yours

E. H. B. Bovee

Travellers
New England, Mass
Mechanics National Bank
New Bedford, Mass

Gentlemen Your check for \$5. on 7c of dividend, is received. Thanks
Respectfully Yours
E. H. B. Bovee

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Jan 21st 2
 Dr J. H. Brown Esq. Treas.

Face Recd. for Anti-Slavery Bank
 Bristol & W. Mass.

Dear Sir

Whereof I hand you deposit
 book No 4900 - Admire Sir's name
 of the Lancastrian School of Manchester.

Please when the dividend up to Dec
 1801 is paid and return me the book
 and oblige

Yours Respectfully
 Admire Sir's name of the Lancastrian
 School of Manchester

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Henry T. Coffin

March 18th 2

Dear Cousin

Bridgeport Conn

I have at last succeeded in winding up the Estate, and send you herewith check for \$35, your proportion of the balance in hand. I also enclose a certificate for you to sign. This I need in order to go through the probate Court of Nantucket. Please be particular and have your signature witnessed, as the old Judge is very particular in such matters. Your wife can witness your signature just as well. If I did not have the Certificate, I could pass my accounts through the Probate Court but it would cost several dollars more and take longer to get through.

Hoping this will find you all well I am
Your Aff. Cousin

Geo. L. Brock

January 22nd

Geo. T. Tufts Esq. Treas.

Warren York for Savings
Charleston Mass

Dear Sir

Herewith please find but No
67990. Received by Henry T. Coffin
Lancasterian School of Nantucket.

Please have same paid to Oct.
1901. And return to me at post
convenience and Obli.

Yours Respectfully
Geo. L. Brock Treas
Adminr. of Savings Office
Lancasterian School
of Nantucket.

Geo. L. Brock

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Christopher C. Coffin Esq
 1000 Jackson Canyon
 Monterey Co. California

After waiting a long time
 from at last succeeded in getting a
 settlement with the old fellow who bought
 the Somerset property. I have now
 Richmond & registered Mail - \$5. Thirty
 five dollars - your proportional part of
 the balance in hand. And thus
 winds up the book - So as I want
 to pass the account through your next
 packet, Aunt. I send you herewith
 a certificate for you to sign. Please be
 particular in signing. To have your
 signature witnessed as the old
 judge of Probate is very particular
 about such matters. Hope this
 will find you smile and
 approving - Yours aff. Amos

Ans. H. B. Brock

August 23^d 20

Mr F. A. Northrop

74 Equitable Bldg - Boston Mass

Dear Sir Your favor of yesterday, just received.
 And I hasten to answer same. Please send
 us the material for the new ceiling, and arrange to
 have same put in place in our Lodge Room as soon
 as may be done. Assist with good work, as
 per your specifications and submitted price for
 same being 216. Two Hundred and fifteen dollars.
 which I accept for Union Lodge -

Respectfully, Yours,

Geo H. 1 Broad Tr
Union Lodge.August 23^d 20

Geo L Taft Esq To

Wiley Brown 1 Broad
Boston Mass

Dear Sir Here with I hand you
 our check No 295 \$100.00 National for
 four Hundred dollars which please
 deposit to the Account of "National
 Sir Isaac Coffin Lancasterian School
 of Nantucket" by Geo H 1 Broad
 Treasurer or his Treasurers -

Please send me the book of
 your Commencement and Oblige

Yours Geo H 1 Broad

Wm. Ellsworth D. Coffin
Montreal July 3 1862

Dear Madam

Your very kind and comprehensive letter of
17th of June, was before our Board of
Trustees, at a meeting held June 19th. We
were particularly interested in the
thanking you for your kind suggestions and
generous offer, and to request that you
meet us some time at your own convenience,
and present our further plan or facts, you
may have a chance.
I am also requested to say to you, that
any plan submitted to the School Committee
may be suggested as co-operators, will
not meet the approval of our Board, whose
desire is to have the school, when it shall
be reopened, conducted as wholly separate
and apart from any or all other institutions.

With regards I am yours truly
J. B. Green, Secretary
Committee to have a separate school

August 23rd 1872
 Mr. F. A. Huntington 74 Cornhill Bldg. Boston Mass
 Dear Sir - Your favor of yesterday just received,
 and I hasten to answer same. I have sent
 you the material for *Narrative* July 3rd 1872 page 4

Mrs. Elizabeth R. Coffin in our best wishes as soon
 as may be done. Sincerely Dear Madam

Your very kind and comprehensive letter of
 17th of June, was before our Board of
 Trustees, at a meeting held June 19th. And
 I was authorized to acknowledge same, to
 thanking you for your kind suggestions and
 generous offer, and to request, that you
 meet us sometime at your own convenience,
 and present any further plan or facts you
 may have acquired.

I am also requested to say to you, that
 any plan wherein the school Committee
 may be suggested as co-operators, will
 not meet the approval of our board, whose
 desire is to have the school when it shall
 be reopened, conducted as wholly separate
 and apart from any or all Town Institutions.

With regards I am Yours Truly

Wm. B. Brown Secretary
 American in Jane Coffin Lancaster
 School.

Sept 21 1862

Mr Henry S. North

New York

Dear Sir, I have just checked the
 your check Nat Bank of Boston for \$216.

The enclosed is a copy of the letter as per
 enclosed which please accept and

return very kindly and appreciate the offer

of June 17th of June was before the Board of

Trustees at a meeting held June 12th and

I was authorized to acknowledge same and

thanking you for your kind suggestions and

generous offer and to say that you

meet us some time before the anniversary

and present our thanks for the same

may have been a great help to us

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not meet the school

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Mr. L. D. Day

Dear Sir

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The Coffin School

for several years

and is rather the manner that not

being sufficient to make it to cover

it is satisfactory. But please when

does not seem to be any immediate

prospect of opening. We have had

some little talk lately about

as an inducement to school. But

not as yet to make any

in the school. I have

Respectfully

Yours

W. H. Crocker

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Regularet Oct 17th 1902

Mr. Elizabeth R. Coffin

215 E 15th St New York NY

Dear Madam

Replying to your favor of 14th inst
I will state that a meeting of the Trustees of the
Coffin School was held last evening and it was voted
that a Committee of two from the board, should be in
Boston this 27th inst to meet you for the purpose of
visiting the Manual Training Schools. The Committee
will consist of Judge DeFries and R. B. Huesey.
Mr Huesey's time is limited to such an extent, that
he can only spare the day of Monday Oct 27th so he feels
that he must return on Tuesday. Therefore he will
leave here Saturday to join the Judge, who leaves
for Boston this morning. In order to carry out the
plan to devote Monday the 27th inst to the work it will be
necessary for you to be in Boston on that day sure.

If you will communicate with the Judge whose address
is 537 Washington St. Brookline. He will arrange to
meet you in proper season. Please write me word
when you anticipate leaving for Boston and also give
me your Boston address. That I may give same
to Mr Huesey who must leave Saturday Oct 25th in
order to carry out his part of the program.

Respectfully Yours G. W. L. Broun

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Mr. C. L. M.

My dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst.

and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,

J. W. M.

Secretary

to the Board of Directors

of the New York and Hudson River Railroad Company

1833

Very respectfully,
J. W. M.

Enclosed

find a copy of the report of the Committee on the subject of the proposed extension of the New York and Hudson River Railroad Company, as requested by the Board of Directors.

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1833

Mr. R. W. Fox
Liberty-st

Dear Madam

I saw you on
Friday yesterday afternoon, and he
telling that you shoud visit the
Coffin School House. Upon the following
Monday, I sent you 4. for dollars for
month, still payable in advance
each month. The Prizes to be taken
from the school room, and returned
there in as good condition as it
is now.

Respectfully

Geo. H. Brock

January 16

Treasurer - Libby's Savings Bank

Full River Mass

Dear

I have just received 13 and 1/2 No 332, 24.

Administered by Francis Coffins Lancaster's School of
Nautick.

Will you please have some printed
and returned at your convenience and Oblige

Yours Respectfully Geo. H. Brock

November 11

Hayward Distilling Co.

Hayward, Ohio

Dear Sir, Herewith please find one check No 483

Elmer National of Boston for \$3.00 Three copies of the

your piece for four quarts of seven year old rye, which

please forward to my address at your convenience and

obly Yours Respectfully, Geo. H. Brock

Paris St. Nautick

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th inst. in relation to the above named matter. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, &c.
J. M. Brown

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J. M. Brown

Admission to the office of the
Nautician. Will you please have the ticket
and returned at your convenience and oblige
Yours respectfully J. M. Brown

No 483
ch. 1
and return

November 25

Charles W. Peirce Esq To

New Bedford Suffolk County, Mass

Dear Sir

I have you herewith two books No 86576.

Admiral Sir Isaac Coffin's Lancasterian School of Nantucket. Dmd No 102593. Gw H. Brock in trust for Susan East Boston. No 102593 kindly needs posting -

No 86576. Please post and send me check for balance in excess of \$1000. At your convenience and Oblige

Yours Respectfully

Gw H. Brock

November 26

Treasurer of Harnden's Savings

22. Market St. Charleston Mass

Dear Sir

I have you I Book No 67770.

"Admiral Sir Isaac Coffin's Lancasterian School of Nantucket." Kindly post to date and return

at your convenience and Oblige

Yours Truly

Gw H. Brock Treas

Admiral Sir Isaac Coffin's Lancasterian

School of Nantucket

November 26

Treasurer of Middlebury Savings Bank

Middlebury Vt

Dear Sir

I have you I Book No 87111

"Admiral Sir Isaac Coffin's Lancasterian School of Nantucket" which please have posted and return

at your convenience and Oblige

Yours Truly

Gw H. Brock Treas

Admiral Sir Isaac Coffin's Lancasterian

School of Nantucket.

Wm. W. Lloyd

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th inst. in relation to the matter of the 1st inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours, Wm. W. Lloyd

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Yours, Wm. W. Lloyd

Wm R L Day & Co
Gentlemen

40 Water St. Boston Mass.

I wish to purchase for the Suffolk School of Nantucket (of which I am Treasurer) a Thousand Dollars Bond of Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe one of the issue of 1825. 100 year Gold Coupon Bond. Providing same will not cost more than 100.

Respectfully, Yours

Geo H. Brooks
December 2

Wm R L Day & Co

40 Water St. Boston Mass.

Gentlemen

Your favor of yesterday at 10³⁰ just at hand. I note that you have bought for me 1000 Atchison General 4² in accordance with instructions conveyed in my letter of 1st inst. at 101 1/4 + interest. Herewith I hand you our check No 423 Elit of Boston for 1022. Ten Hundred and twenty two dollars as per your bill herewith.

Please forward the 1 Bond to my Address per registered mail and oblige
Yours Respectfully

Geo H. Brooks
Feb 17 4

Hayner Manufacturing Co

Dayton - Ohio -

Gentlemen

Herewith please find check No 707 - Elit Nat Bank of Boston for 9⁶⁰ Nine 60 per dollars for which please forward me at your earliest convenience one dozen gallons of your own year old Rye Whiskey - - such as I have bought of your concern repeatedly in the past - and

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Yours Truly

Geo H. Brooks -

Feb 24

January 29th 3

Lunt's Publishing Co.

Gentlemen

Noticing your

offer as stated in the last issue of the Post -
to renew all subscriptions that are made previous
to Feb 1st for one dollar. I hand you herewith
check for one dollar to renew my subscription to the
Saturday Evening Post, which matures May 30th 1903 -

Respectfully Yours

Geo H. Bovee

March 31st

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Messrs R L Dwyer & Co 40 Water St. Boston Mass.

Gentlemen. I am instructed to purchase for the
Laffin School of this place 2000 in Atchison General
Mutual 4% of the issue of 1895. providing same
can be had at a cost not exceeding 102.

If you can do this, please purchase and advise.

Atchison Tapeska & Santa Fe 100 years Gold Bond.

Respectfully Yours

Geo H. Bovee

Hayden Manufacturing Co

Boston Mass.

Gentlemen. I am instructed to purchase for the April 2nd 1903

Mechanics National Bank New Bedford Mass.

Respectfully Yours. Your check No 106 for \$135.00 - \$15.00 Fifteen

Dollars Received. Respectfully Yours Geo H. Bovee

advised to please Laffin School

Yours Truly Geo H. Bovee

Wm H. Jackson

April 18 1862

Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th inst. in relation to the matter of the 13th regt. of Col. Jackson's 1st div. of the 1st corps. I am sorry to hear that you are not satisfied with the management of the 13th regt. I am sure that you will find that the 13th regt. is doing all that it can for the service. I will give you 135 for the 13th regt. and take the lot.

Respectfully Yours Wm H. Jackson

April 22 1862

Mr H. Jackson

Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of April 21st. in relation to the matter of the 13th regt. of Col. Jackson's 1st div. of the 1st corps. I am sorry to hear that you are not satisfied with the management of the 13th regt. I am sure that you will find that the 13th regt. is doing all that it can for the service. I will give you 135 for the 13th regt. and take the lot.

Respectfully Yours Wm H. Jackson

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Messrs H. Curtis Fletcher & Co

April 18th 93

131 Dorchester St. Room 4, Boston Mass

Gentlemen
Owing to cross steam, your favor of 15th inst
did not reach me until this evening. I note that you
offer for sale 5 shares Pacific Nat Bank stock of this town -
for 136. per share. Here in Nantucket we who are
conversant with the Management of the Pacific Bank, do
not consider the stock worth that price. If you wish to
sell them here I will give you 135. per share and
take the lot.

Respectfully Yours
Geo H. Brock

April 22nd 93

Mr H B Leavens Atty Gen.

Dear Sir

Kansas City Mo

Your letter of April 9th was duly received
Contents noted. I called upon Mr Statton the recording Legate
and after a thorough search among the papers we have
concluded that the certificate for one share of the Referred
stock, was never recorded here. Mr Statton is quite
a poor man and if there is anything due him really needs
to have it.

Respectfully Yours

Geo H. Brock - Atty

Est L H Statton

Handwritten notes on the right margin of the second page, including "I have been thinking of sending you a check for \$100.00" and other illegible cursive text.

Dear Sir,
 Mr John W. Love
 Myself
 One Post Office
 Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. in relation to the above named subject. I have the honor to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Dear Sir,
 Yours truly,
 John W. Love

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 John W. Love

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Messrs H. Curtis Fletcher & Co
Gentlemen

131 Dear Sir
Owing to some delay, I
did not reach me until this evening
offer for sale 5 shares Pacific Nat Bank
for 136 per share. Here in New York
Conversant with the Management of
but consider the stock worth that price
sell them however I will give you
take the lot.

Respectfully Yours

Mr H B Leavens Atty.

Dear Sir

1000
I have letter of April 9
Contents noted. I called upon Mr. [unclear]
and after a thorough search a
concluded that the certificate for
stock, was never received by
a poor man and if there is any
to him it.

Respectfully Yours

My dear Mr. Love
 Dear Sir
 Our Post Office is having out of order
 this morning - there is an extraordinary cause for more
 our Mr. [unclear] taking in another one.
 This will require some two hundred more than our
 other falling. If we do this we must do it at
 once - without loss of time. However you like to do this
 first! If I [unclear] it would be well for you to
 send an express down to look over the ground with
 no good contract for the work. Please attempt to
 this at once, and if you can not do so will you
 kindly advise me, at your earliest convenience.
 Yours truly
 Geo. H. Brown

My dear Mr. Love
 Dear Sir
 I have no time left - that I can send
 your case the case of Jones & Co. is [unclear]
 your case was deposited with the [unclear] of [unclear]
 Department and in November 1891. I [unclear]
 statement showing the case in Jan. 1891 and on
 Jan. 1891. Your case is still in the hands of
 the [unclear] I think any thing else the
 matter. If I [unclear] advice at your convenience and
 please
 Yours truly
 Geo. H. Brown
 Geo. H. Brown, Baltimore

May 8th 3

Mr John Mc Lane Milford N H

Dear Sir

Our Post Office having outgrown its
surroundings - there is an imperative need for more
room. We now propose taking in another room.

This will require some two hundred more boxes and
other fitting. If we do this we must do it at
once - without loss of time. Would you like to do this
for us? If so, perhaps it would be well for you to
send an expert down to look over the ground with
us and contract for the work. Please attend to
this at once, and if you can not do so, will you
kindly advise me, at your earliest convenience.

And Oblige Yours Truly

Geo H. Brock

July 28th 3

Samuel B. Flower Esq Treas.

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New York Life Building

Kansas City Mo -

Dear Sir

I have no doubt but that I can send,
these two Bonds of Series N & B 200 & 300 respectively.
These Bonds were deposited with the Trustees of Lombard
Debentures and in November of 1901 I executed a
statement showing the due on Series N - 24, and on
Series P - 18. - These Bonds are still in the hands of
the party I presume. Is there any thing due the
estate. If so kindly advise at your convenience and
oblige

Yours Truly

Geo H. Brock Administrator

Est Charles H. Stachard

Wm. L. Manufacturing

Wm. L. Manufacturing
July 30

Dear Sir
I have just received from the
Manufacture of Boston for our
of Bill for the Boston P. O. fittings. This is all I can
send you now as I have no more funds in the Treasury
available. Will send balance as soon as possible.
Yours Respectfully
Wm. L. Manufacturing

Sept 10

New Bedford Mass

Wm. L. Manufacturing

Dear Sir
I have just received from the
Manufacture of Boston for our
of Bill for the Boston P. O. fittings. This is all I can
send you now as I have no more funds in the Treasury
available. Will send balance as soon as possible.
Yours Respectfully
Wm. L. Manufacturing

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July 31 3

McLean Manufacturing Co. Milford N H

Gentlemen Please find herewith check No 623. Eliot National of Boston for 600. Six hundred dollars. on 1/2 of bill for Kentucky P.O. fittings. This is all I can remit just now. As I have no more funds in the Treasury available, will send balance as soon as practicable.

Yours Respectfully

Geo H. Broad Treas. and Chairman of Board of Trustees
Masonic Lodge Building

Geo H. Broad

July 28 3

Wm. Morgan Lib. Building 3
Kansas City Mo -

Miss Greene & Hood

New Bedford Mass.

Yours have been deposited with the Trustees of Lombard Street Bank. Herewith I hand you my check No 1186. P.O. National for \$232. Fifty two 32/100 dollars on 1/2 of analysed bills - which please receipt and return to me and Obli.

Yours Truly

Geo H. Broad Treas
of Boston School

W. L. Lorne Manufacturing Co.

Weymouth N. H.

Herewith I hand you check No 640 -
 Eliot Nat Bank of Boston for \$77. Seventy seven dollars
 balance due on enclosed bill which please receipt
 and return And Oblige

Yours Truly

Geo H. Brock

W. L. Lorne Mfg Co

Weymouth

N. H.

Herewith

I hand you herewith
 check No 635, Eliot Nat Bank of Boston for \$150 -
 One Hundred and fifty dollars in payment of bill for
 Weymouth P O fittings. This is all I can do now
 as soon as possible will remit again

Yours Truly

Geo H. Brock

Chairman of Board of Trustees
 Mesonic Lodge Building

Mr. J. J. Jones
has purchased the residence of Mr. J. J. Jones
and is a balance of \$100.00
which I have for me the Bank of New York
that amount
Please receipt and return the bill
Yours truly
J. J. Jones

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has purchased the residence of Mr. J. J. Jones
and is a balance of \$100.00
which I have for me the Bank of New York
that amount
Please receipt and return the bill
Yours truly
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has purchased the residence of Mr. J. J. Jones
and is a balance of \$100.00
which I have for me the Bank of New York
that amount
Please receipt and return the bill
Yours truly
J. J. Jones

March 14th 4

The J. D. Jewett Esq.
Hartford

168 Washington St - Boston Mass.

Mr Geo M. Morris Principal of the Coffin School
has handed me the enclosed bills for settlement, of which
I notice there is a balance of \$1.68 due Jan - for
which I have drawn on the First Nat Bank for
that amount

Obliged

Please receipt and return the bill

Yours Truly

Geo H. Brown Treas.
of Coffin School

March 21st 4

Miss Palmer, Father & Co

Hartford

103 Medford St Charleston Mass.

Mr Morris Principal of Coffin School has
just handed me the enclosed bills - Herewith I have
drawn on the First Nat Bank of Boston for \$1.22.

Please receipt and return to me and Obliged

Yours Truly

Geo H. Brown Treas

Coffin School

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Nantucket May 30th 1903

McLane Mfg Co

Milford N.H.

Gentlemen

Replying to your favor of 21st inst. which was rec^d last evening - will say, that we have decided to authorize you to proceed at once with the manufacture and preparation of all the wood work needed in the extension of our Post Office, ^{the specifications for which were taken by your representative} except the boxes. Mr Hammond informs us that he forwarded by this morning's mail, a request that you send us at your earliest convenience, a sample of what you term Yale 2nd grade lock box. Just as soon as we can see the sample, we will decide as to what grade of box we will use, and inform you immediately. Our time is now so limited in which to finish the work of extending the P.O. that we must beg you to expedite the work as rapidly as may be consistent with first class work.

We are respectfully yours

Trustees of Marine Lodge Bldg.
Geo H. Brock
Chairman and Treasurer

